



# DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati School

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### "EACH Step Forward: Reflections & Aspirations for DAVSKVB's Bright Tomorrow"

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Dear Parents, Teachers, and Esteemed Members of the DAVSKVB School Community,

As we come to the end of another enriching academic year, it is with a deep sense of gratitude and pride that I address you all. The Final Parent-Teacher Conference (PTC) for this session 2024-2025 stands as a reflection of our collective efforts and shared commitment toward the holistic development of our students. I take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt appreciation to all stakeholders – our devoted teachers, supportive parents, diligent administrative staff, and, most importantly, our students – for working together to bring this academic session to a successful and smooth conclusion.

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**Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao**  
(Principal)

As we bid farewell to this session, I am pleased to announce that DAVSKVB School will be carrying forward its guiding theme – “EACH” – into the new academic year as well. This will be the second consecutive year we embrace this philosophy, and we are excited to deepen its impact.

#### The “EACH” Framework: Our Pillar for Excellence

**E** for Empowerment of Individuals: We believe that each student is unique and holds the potential to excel in their chosen path. In the coming year, we will strengthen our commitment to empowering students to be confident, self-reliant, and responsible individuals. Personal growth programs, leadership opportunities, and life skills training will form an essential part of this empowerment journey.

**A** for Academic Enrichment: Academic excellence continues to be at the heart of everything we do. As we move ahead, we will enhance academic practices by introducing modern trends in education and refining our pedagogical methods. Our focus will be on engaging learners actively through innovative teaching techniques, problem-solving activities, collaborative projects, and critical thinking.

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exercises. We will deeply focus on working with academic data and intervening the same for the academic growth of each and every child of ours.

**C for Cultural Sensitivity:** In a world that is increasingly interconnected, it is essential for students to develop an understanding and appreciation for diverse cultures. Our curriculum and co-curricular activities will continue to emphasize inclusivity, respect, and empathy. At the same time, we will ensure that students remain connected to our rich traditions and Vedic values, creating a harmonious blend of global awareness and cultural rootedness.

**H for Holistic Development:** Education at DAVSKVB is not limited to textbooks. We aim for the well-rounded development of every child – mentally, emotionally, socially, and physically. In the coming year, our programs will place equal emphasis on arts, sports, wellness initiatives, and value-based education, enabling our students to grow as balanced individuals ready to contribute positively to society.

### **The Road Ahead: Vision for Session 2025-26**

The upcoming session promises to be an exciting phase of transformation and innovation. With a renewed commitment to excellence, we are set to introduce several forward-thinking initiatives to make DAVSKVB School a hub of 21st-century learning.

### **Incorporating Modern Trends in Education:**

Our academic programs will embrace emerging educational trends namely experiential learning, inquiry-based instruction, and project-based learning. By doing so, we will encourage students to become independent thinkers and collaborative problem solvers, well-prepared for a rapidly evolving world.

### **Enriched Pedagogical Approaches:**

Professional development for our educators will continue to be a priority as we train them in the latest instructional strategies, blending traditional methods with progressive approaches that suit the diverse learning needs of our students.

### **Technology Integration:**

Technology will play an even more significant role in our classrooms. We aim to make learning

more interactive and engaging by leveraging smart classrooms, digital learning platforms & virtual labs. These resources will help students develop digital literacy while making learning more dynamic and effective.

### **Cultural Diversity & Vedic Approach:**

Alongside modern methods, we remain steadfast in promoting Vedic values and the ethos of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam. Students will have opportunities to participate in yoga, meditation, and value-based activities that will foster inner strength and character building. Our celebrations of festivals, cultural events, and heritage-based programs will continue to instill pride in our traditions.

### **Sports & Physical Well-being:**

Physical education will see a boost with a stronger emphasis on structured sports programs, competitions, and fitness regimes designed to develop teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship among students.

### **Upgraded Infrastructure:**

To support all these initiatives, we are also upgrading our campus infrastructure. Modernized classrooms, enhanced laboratories, well-equipped sports facilities, and improved recreational spaces will ensure that students learn and grow in an inspiring and well-resourced environment.

The 2025-26 academic session will be a journey of empowerment, enrichment, and excellence, ensuring that DAVSKVB School remains a nurturing space where each child feels valued, inspired, and ready to face the challenges of tomorrow. Our shared goal is to make this institution not just a school, but a home for learning, growth, and achievement – the very best place for young minds to flourish.

I look forward to working closely with each of you in this journey, and I am confident that with your continued support, we will set even higher benchmarks of success in the years ahead.

With warm regards and best wishes,

**Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao**  
Principal  
DAVSKVB School



## 58<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Late Sushil Kedia Homage to Late Sushil Kedia with Sangha Daan and Dhamma Deshana



DAV Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, along with his family, organized a 'Sangha Daan' and 'Dhamma Deshana' ceremony and paid homage to his brother at school premise on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2024.

The 'Sangha Daan' and 'Dhamma Deshana' was organised to mark the celebration of 58<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of late Shree Sushil Kedia.

The event was graced by the benign presence of Honourable Bhikkhu Shilbhadra and Bhikkhu Nigrodha from Bishwoshanti Bihar, Baneshwor; Bhikkhu Bimalo from Siddhi Mangal Bihar, Harisiddhi, Lalitpur; and Bhikkhu Ananda from Munni Bihar, Bhaktapur. A total of 108 monks and nuns from these Biharas received Sangha Daan.

Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia warmly welcomed the Bhikkhus, teachers, students, and devotees, remarking, "DAV considers Sangha Daan a significant school programme." In his address, he emphasized that human life is one of the blessed opportunity of birth and noted that the purpose of ceremonies like Sangha Daan, Dhamma Deshana, and meditation is to help us understand human existence. He expressed his strong belief that the society is now being guided by the teachings of Buddha, referring to it as the "second rule of Buddha."

Following the Chairperson's invitation, Bhikkhu Bimalo led the Dhamma Deshana session, focusing on how to overcome human suffering. He stressed that Sangha Daan is the



highest form of charity, laying the foundation for Nirvana.

Bhikkhu Bimalo elaborated on the path of Tri-Sarana (Buddha, Dharma and Sangha) followed by Tri-Karana (Daan Shil, Bhawana), Tri Niwarana (Raga, Dwyas, Moha), Tri-Darshana (Anitya, Dukha and Nasha) and Tri Charana (Marg, Fala and Nirman). He also emphasized that being born as human is a precious opportunity, as only in this form one could accumulate good karma.

Bhikkhu Shilbhadra, along with the monks and

nuns, offered prayers for the Nirvana of late Shree Sushil Kedia and his parents late Shree Shankarlal Kedia and late Shreemati Indumati Kedia. The Sangha Daan ceremony commenced with the lighting of the lamp, followed by prayers including the 'Shil Prayer,' 'Panchashil Prayer,' 'Paritran Path,' 'Astadan,' 'Punyanumodan,' and 'Bhojan Daan' respectively.

The Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, the first lady Shreemati Sunita Kedia, and their son, Shree Aayush Kedia, offered Sangha Daan to all the monks and nuns.

## Floral Homage and Prashad Distribution Ceremony

Teachers, non-teaching staff, and students participated in a floral homage and prasad distribution ceremony in the honour of late Shree Sushil Kedia

The ceremony began with a recitation of the Havan mantra, led by Mr. Purushottam Rijal, Head of Sanskrit Department. Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, Wing Co-ordinators, Human Resource Manager and HoDs attended the prayers on 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

On 4<sup>th</sup> October, teachers and students from the Senior School (Grades IX to XII) and Junior School (Grades III and IV) paid their respects to late Sushil Kedia with floral tributes. Similarly, the teachers and students from Middle School (Grades VII and VIII) offered their homage on 6<sup>th</sup> October, while teachers and students from Kindergarten along with Grades I, II, V, and VI participated on 7<sup>th</sup> October.

It is to be remembered that DAV is a memorial school founded by late Shankarlal Kedia and late Shreemati Indumati Kedia in memory of their beloved son, Shree Sushil Kedia, who passed away at the young age of 19. He is the loving brother of the Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia.



## Achievers Esteemed in the Assembly



The winners of Sushil Kedia Memorial Inter-School Sports Tournament were honoured with awards and certificates of achievement in the morning assembly of September 5, 2024. The Inter-School Sports Tournament was organised to celebrate the 58<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Late Shree Sushil Kedia. Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, on behalf of school management, presented the awards, extending best wishes to all the winners in their future endeavour.





# 58<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Late Sushil Kedia

## Sushil Kedia Memorial Basketball Tournament



DAV School organised 1<sup>st</sup> Late Sushil Kedia Memorial Inter-School Basketball Tournament on the auspicious occasion of 58<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Late Shree Sushil Kedia on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024.

A total of ten schools from Kathmandu Valley partook in the tournament. The

participating schools included Champion School, Canvas School, DAVSKVB School, Graded English Medium School, Kendriya Vidyalaya Milestone School, Modern Indian School, Rai International School, St. Xavier's School, and VS Niketan School. Three teams represented DAV School. In the boys' category, ten schools competed, while the girls' category featured five schools.

The tournament was officiated by representatives from Nepal Basketball Association: Bibhu K.C., Rabi Paudel, Sujan Maharjan, and Sanjeev Lama.

In the boys' category, St. Xavier's School, Jawalakhel emerged victorious, with Champion School securing the runner-up

position. In the girls' category, Modern India School claimed the championship, followed by St. Xavier's School as the runner-up.

Special awards were also presented during the closing ceremony. Shuvam Sainju from St. Xavier's School received the Highest Scorer Award in the boys' category, while Rohisha Gurung from Modern India School won the same honour in the girls' category.

Additionally, Prarambha Tamrakar from Champion School was honoured with the Emerging Player Award in the boys' category, while Drishya Neupane from Modern Indian School earned title in the girls' category.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sushil Kedia Memorial Inter-School Indoor Cricket Tournament - 2024

The 6<sup>th</sup> Late Sushil Kedia Memorial Inter-School Indoor Cricket Tournament - 2024 concluded with a resounding success and grandeur on 1<sup>st</sup> September.

This year's tournament saw the participation from 11 schools that included Aksharaa School, AVM, GEMS, LRI, MIS, Nepal Police School, Radiant Readers, St. Xavier's School, Valley Public School, V.S. Niketan, and DAVSKVB.

Following the final match, Shree Anil Kedia, the Chairperson of DAV, along with officials from DAV School and College, presented the champions with the tournament trophy, medals, and certificates of achievement. The event was expertly officiated by CAN officials.

In the final match held on 1<sup>st</sup> September, DAVSKVB Team 'A' won LRI School by 37 runs, securing the esteemed 6<sup>th</sup> Sushil Kedia Memorial Indoor Inter-School Cricket Tournament - 2024 trophy. LRI School's team earned the Runner-up Trophy, with all its players receiving medals and certificates of achievement.

The closing ceremony also featured the presentation of some individual awards. Aarush Jha from DAV was honoured as Man of the Series, receiving a trophy, medal, certificate, and a cricket bat.



Similarly, Prasiddha Jaishi from DAVSKVB won Man of the Match in the final. Pratik Rawal from LRI School was recognised as the Best Batsman, while Anup Singh from the same school was awarded the Best Bowler. Bikesh Kr. Jaiswal from DAV received Best Wicketkeeper award, and Sudhir Malla from LRI was acknowledged as the Emerging Player. Each of these recipients was awarded a trophy, medal, and certificate of achievement.

The victorious DAVSKVB 'A' team members were: Prasiddha Jaishi (Captain), Bikesh Kr. Jaiswal (Wicketkeeper), Kamal Shai, Aarush Jha, Farhan Ansari, Keshav Agrawal, Prasanga Poudel, Subrat Mallik, Ankit Joshi, and Shaurya Pandey.

The team was guided by Head Coach Mr. Purnendu Ghosh, with the assistance of Coaches Mr. Dilip Yadav and Mr. Durgesh Thapa.

## Sushil Kedia Memorial 1-day Blood Donation Camp

On 3<sup>rd</sup> October, the Junior Red Cross Circle of DAVSKVB, in collaboration with the Blood Bank, Pulchowk, Lalitpur, organised a one-day blood donation camp. This event was held on the school premises to mark the 58<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of late Sushil Kedia.



The staff, teachers, and parents actively participated in the donation drive. According to Mr. Modnath Poudel, Co-ordinator of the Junior Red Cross Circle, a total of forty-seven staff members and parents contributed to blood donations.

The blood collection was facilitated by a team of four medical professionals from Blood Bank Pulchowk, Lalitpur, along with school's infirmary staff. Volunteers who assisted in the camp included Sarbani Baskota, Chadani Sah, Prarthana Risal, Yukta Paudel, Ambika Bhattacharya, Shambhavi Basyal, and Aadhya Jha.



# 58<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Late Sushil Kedia

## 3-day Sushil Kedia Memorial Havan



A 3-day Sushil Kedia Memorial Havan was organised in Indu Sadan and Shankar Sadan on the auspicious occasion of 58<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of late Sushil Kedia on 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2024.

To begin the Havan, Vice-principal Mr. Ram Chandra Khanal addressed the students and explained its rituals and cultural practices in the ideals of Swami Dayananda Saraswati. The havan was conducted as per the standard of Arya Samaj.

Mr. Purushottam Rijal, HoD of Sanskrit Dept. cited Havan chapters from Rigveda and engaged all the attendees in the rituals. Some students associated with Music Department sang hymns and thereafter the students were offered 'tika and prashad' at the end. The havan culture was globalized by Swami Dayananda Saraswati, who is the founder of DAV School across the world.

DAV has been organising Vidya Subharambha Havan in the beginning of



the session. Similarly, Sushil Kedia Memorial Havan on his birth anniversary and Good Luck Havan to the board appearing students of Grade X before the board examination. In addition, the school also organises Havan on some especial occasion.

For more information, the Havan held in Pratik Hall of Shankar sadan was also dedicated to pay homage to Late Pratik Sumsher Jung Bahadur Rana, the student of DAV. Pratik Hall was made in the memory of the student. His mother has been attending the Havan every year praying for the peace and heavenly abode of her son.

### Assembly Honours the Achievers



The winners of Late Sushil Kedia Memorial Inter -School Sports Tournament were honoured in the morning assembly of Senior School on 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2024. On behalf of School Management, Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal congratulated each one of them wishing them their bright future ahead. The Inter-School Tournament was organised by DAV School in collaboration with National Sports Council from 27<sup>th</sup> August to 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2024.

## Swasti Bachan, Geeta Paath, Spiritual Teachings, and Bhajans



Swasti Bachan, Geeta Paath, Bhajans, and spiritual teachings took place at Indu Sadan on October 6, marking the 58<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of late Shree Sushil Kedia. The program's central aim was to pay homage to Late Shree Sushil Kedia.

A team of six Brahmins led the Swasti and Geeta Paath recitations. The esteemed readers included Swami Ram Mani Das Guru, Shree Premdev Sapkota, and Acharya Shiva Shankar, along with Sanskrit Department teachers from DAV School—Mr. Niranjana Khatriwada, Mr. Sudarshan Adhikari, and Mr. Manish Gautam. The gathered pundits and students engaged

in chanting Bhajans, offering heartfelt homage to late Shree Sushil Kedia.

Swami Ram Mani Das Guru delivered a sermon on the teachings of the Gita, reflecting on life's joys and sorrows. He commended DAV School for organizing the event with such devotion and for involving Brahmins in the celebration. Students from grades V to X participated and absorbed the spiritual messages imparted.

Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal expressed deep gratitude to Swami Rammani Das Guru and the Brahmins for their honoured presence on this auspicious occasion. He encouraged students to reflect on Swami Rammani Das's teachings from Gita and emphasized DAV's mission to integrate culture with education.

The program concluded with the serving of 'satwik bhojans' to all guests, underscoring the event's spiritual sanctity.

### 13<sup>th</sup> Sushil Kedia Memorial Inter-School Table Tennis Tournament



The 13<sup>th</sup> Sushil Kedia Memorial Inter-School Table Tennis Tournament, 2024 was held on 30<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August on the auspicious occasion of the 58<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Late Shree Sushil Kedia.

A total of 21 schools participated in the tournament. The competition was organised separately for boys and girls in individual and team categories for Under-12 and Under-16 age groups.

The winners in both teams and individual events were awarded trophies, medals, and merit certificates.

Overall, AVM School dominated the tournament, winning the first place in both individual and team events. The tournament witnessed the participation of more than 200 students.

# DAV: A Pioneering Institution in Diverse Schools of Thought

Family and community values hold special significance in Eastern societies, a principle that is vividly reflected in the Kedia family of Nepal.

DAV was established in 1993 AD in Kathmandu in the memory of late Sushil Kedia by his parents, late Shree Shankarlal Kedia and late Shreemati Indumati Kedia. It has pioneered various schools of thought, contributing significantly to the global educational landscape.

The Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia, has sincerely upheld his father's vision, following in his footsteps with dedication and commitment. In this issue of SANDESH, we invite our readers on a journey to uncover the untold story behind this institution and its impact on our parents communities.

**1. Sanskrit Language and Vedic Teaching :** DAV took on the challenge of imparting Sanskrit language and Vedic education at a time when these crucial aspects were under threat. Despite the fact that the Vedas are the root source of knowledge and Sanskrit is the mother of all languages—the most scientific language—there was a decline in teaching Sanskrit.

A heartfelt tribute to the founder of DAV School, late Shankarlal Kedia, for promoting the teaching of the Vedas and Sanskrit. Today, the teaching and learning of the Vedas and Sanskrit is not only a priority in Nepal but has also gained recognition in many developed countries. At DAV, we proudly integrate Havan, meditation, mantras, yoga, and various spiritual activities as a part of our educational philosophy, honouring the rich traditions of knowledge.

**2. Activity-Based Learning :** DAV School is entirely based on an activity-oriented learning approach. Over the years, we have structured our co-curricular calendar to clearly outline the nature of each programme and the specific skills it fosters. Since its inception, DAV has championed this approach, even when many leading educationists could not envisage how a school could manage over a hundred co-curricular activities across different levels—KG, Junior, Middle, and Senior Schools.

Special recognition is due to our Academic Leader, the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, for steering the school towards this dynamic and holistic approach to education, now widely followed both within and outside Nepal.

**3. Education with Culture :** Gratitude is a core value of Vedic culture. The Vedas teach us to be grateful not only to human beings but also to nature, animals, and the cosmos, which we honour through our cultural practices. At DAV, education is intertwined with cultural values, ensuring that students remain connected to their roots while embracing global perspectives.

Beyond celebrating festivals, food, and traditional attire, our approach to education provides a multi-faceted learning experience that prepares students to thrive in diverse societies and circumstances. DAV has made significant strides in this area, gaining recognition both nationally and internationally.

**4. ICT and Anglo Education :** DAV's ICT education and infrastructure are of world-class standards. Our state-of-the-art science laboratories, computer labs, and audio-visual learning rooms align with our philosophy of incorporating the best aspects of Anglo education, which has significantly contributed to human progress.

To help students understand global trends from a broader perspective, DAV has pioneered the teaching of German language in Nepal, alongside French and Chinese.

**5. Dual Curriculum: SEE and CBSE:** From its inception, DAV has followed both the SEE and CBSE curricula. Today, it has become a trend for schools to adopt

multiple academic boards. DAV has always excelled in both SEE and CBSE board examinations. We take immense pride in our consistent academic achievements, as reflected in past issues of SANDESH and on our official website.

It is equally inspiring to witness Western institutions now embracing Eastern philosophies and Vedic teachings in their schools and universities.

**6. Introducing Comprehensive Knowledge and Skills :** Vedic teachings encompass "14 Vidya and 64 Kala". In alignment with this, DAV offers a broad spectrum of traditional and modern education, incorporating pottery, dance, music, theatre, arts, IT, electronics, beauty and health sciences, fashion designing, and mass media in the long list.

With over 200 top educators dedicated to classroom teaching, DAV has significantly contributed to both traditional and contemporary education. This approach is gaining increasing recognition globally. A special tribute is to the visionary leadership of the school and its dedicated team of educators.

**7. Sports Academy :** DAV has established a vibrant Sports Academy to cater to the systematic development of students' athletic skills. Operating on Saturdays, public holidays, winter breaks, and term breaks, this initiative—envisioned by the school's leadership—will undoubtedly leave a lasting impact on the global educational community.

**8. Theme-Based Academic Year :** Since the 2022/23 academic session, DAV has implemented a Theme-Based Academic Year. The current theme, "EACH—Empowering Academic Excellence, Cultural Sensitivity and Holistic Development" was introduced in the 2023/24 session and will continue in the upcoming session 2024/25. Previous themes include "STAR" and "TEAM."

As a trailblazing institution, DAV envisions this innovative approach, reinforced by class-based thematic learning, gaining global recognition. Special appreciation goes to Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao for pioneering this transformative academic initiative.

**Celebrating Our Achievements :** With these thought-provoking initiatives, we are immensely delighted to share that a total of 289 co-curricular activities—including sports and student's/ teacher's achievements—were reported to our editorial desk in the second semester. Many of these were showcased on our official social media platforms and website as part of our commitment to transparency.

This issue of SANDESH serves as a print version of our school's website and social media updates. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the school authorities, teachers, staff, students, and parents for being an integral part of DAV—A School that has Pioneered Different Schools of Thought.

For enquiries and feedback, please refer to our contact details on the back page of SANDESH. Thank you all!

Happy New Year 2082 BS!

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## Inter-School Nepali Ghazal Singing Competition



On the auspicious occasion of 159<sup>th</sup> Moti Jayanti, DAV School organised an 'Inter-School Nepali Ghazal Singing Competition' for secondary level students. The event took place in Buddha Hall on September 1.

The programme was graced by the presence of the renowned singer, Mr. Ajar Jangam, the Head of the Music Department at Ratnarajya Laxmi Campus, who also served as the Chief Guest of the programme. Also in attendance were the DAV Chairperson as the Guest of Honour and special guest, Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal. The event was further honoured by the presence of senior music composer Mr. Raju Singh, Head of Music Department Mr. Jay Shreevastava, prominent musician Ram

Hari Poudel, and songwriter Mr. Dambar Bikel, among others.

A total of sixteen contestants from different schools performed a variety of melodious ghazals, ranging from the past generation to the most contemporary. The competition showcased the diversity of ghazals within Nepali music industry.

The participating schools included AVM, Kanjirowa School, KMC School, Kotdevi School, Global Pathshala, Nirvana Academy, Nepal APF School, Pathshala Nepal School, Bijeshwori Gyan Mandir Sainik Mahavidyalaya, Machhapuchhre School, Modern Indian School, United School, Radiant Readers Academy, St. Mary's School, Sainik Awasiya Mahavidyalaya, and

Laboratory School. DAV School participated in the programme as a non-competitor.

In his address, Mr. Ajar Jangam, the Chief Guest, expressed his heartfelt gratitude to DAV School for providing a platform for young singers to showcase their talents in ghazal singing. He also extended his best wishes to all the contestants.

The Head of Nepali Department expressed his deep gratitude to Chief Guest Mr. Jangam, DAV Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, Principal of Nirvana Academy Mr. Nirajan Adhikari, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, along with all the music teachers and students from the participating schools, for making the programme a huge success. The Principal of Nirvana Academy, Mr. Nirajan Adhikari, noted that he has been attending this programme since its inception. He praised DAV School for providing such a significant platform for emerging talents.

As per the results, Shibani Thapa from St. Mary's School secured the first position, followed by Grishma Bhandari from Bijeshwori Gyan Mandir Sainik Mahavidyalaya in second place. Shubhashis Singh Budhathoki from Modern Indian School won the third position and Aayudh Acharya from KMC School secured the fourth position. The programme was anchored by Akshay Shah and Sankalpa Mani Devkota, both students of Grade X.

## Character Tree Award of Senior School (Grade IX to XII)



Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal honoured the winners of Character Tree Award in the special assembly of Senior School on September 30.

The students who received the honour with Character Tree Award were the winners of their section. The Character Tree Award is bestowed to one deserving student from each section from Grade I to XII in a semester.

The winners of Character Tree Award from Grade IX are Abhishree Acharya

IX 'A', Kostuv Agrawal- IX 'B', Pragya Bhaṛa ha ya IX 'C', Aayush Joshi- IX 'D', Namdima Angbo Limbu- IX 'E', Angel Bhardwaj- IX 'F', Dipika Senapati -IX 'G' and Aaryan Nigam- IX 'H' respectively. Similarly, the winners from Grade X are Maya Gupta- X 'A', Prapti Dumre- X 'B', Dikshit Babu Acharya- X 'C', Nuwan Kulung Rai - X 'D', Mashi Singh - X 'E', Aksat Shrestha- X 'F', Dipral Das Shrestha- X 'G', Jiya Jha X 'H', Sharmista Paudyal- X 'I' and Roshni Joshi- X 'J' respectively.

Likewise, the recipients of Character Tree Award from Grade XI are Shubham Kumar Saha - XI 'A', Pratham Kumar - XI 'B', Tanaya Agrawal - XI 'C' and Aayushi Agrawal - XI 'D' respectively.

In the same trait, the winners from Grade XII are Sumit Kumar Saini- XII 'A', Ipsita Shrisan Ray- XII 'B', Abhishek Kumar- XII 'C', Poojnesh Kumar Mahato- XII 'D' and Nistha Jain- XII 'E' respectively.

## Second Position for Aryan at Tiptop of "3" MYM Chess Tournament



Aryan Agrawal, student of Grade IX 'F' won the second position at Tiptop of "3" MYM Chess Tournament organised by Marwadi Sewa Samiti, Nepal in collaboration with Marwadi Yuva Manch on July 27.

Similarly, Darsh Agrawal from Grade XI 'B' also participated in the tournament.

In the same trait, Dipral Shrestha, Aksat Shrestha, and Anubhav Bhardwaj won the merit certificates of Inter school Junior Maths League organised by Budhanilkantha School, Kathmandu, on August 24. Sankalpa Devkota and Nuwan Kulung Rai won the bronze medals in individual round of the same event. Dikshit Acharya, Subham Singh, and Prince Sah got certificate of participation.

## DAV School Wins Inter-School Super Six Cricket Tournament



DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati School won the 1<sup>st</sup> Dr. Baburam Pokhrel Memorial Inter-School Super Six Cricket Tournament on September 11. The tournament featured 26 schools across Kathmandu Valley.

On 12<sup>th</sup> September, DAV Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia and Principal, Dr. Bhupendra Rai, honoured all the achievers organizing a school's first-ever Corridor Ceremony.

In the final match, DAV Team "A" emerged victorious after defeating DAV Team "B",

and both teams were honoured during the ceremony.

In the same event, the Chairperson and Principal also honoured Avanie Rai for her outstanding success in a series of National Golf Tournaments.

Addressing the students of the Sports Academy, the Principal praised the significant contributions of DAV Sports Academy in raising school's sports performance to a higher level.

In the same event, Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia appreciated the efforts of Head Coach Mr. Purnendu Ghosh (HoD sports) and Assistant Coaches Mr. Dilip Yadav and Mr. Durgesh Thapa in the success of the DAV Cricket Team.

In the final match, held on Wednesday at GHCA Indoor Cricket (CricSal) in Hattiban, Lalitpur, DAV 'A' Team triumphed over their schoolmate DAV 'B' team. The tournament was organised by VS Niketan School, Kathmandu.

After winning the toss, DAV 'B' chose to bat setting a modest target of 25 runs. DAV 'A' easily chased the target in just 4 overs without losing a single wicket, securing a 6-wicket victory. DAV 'B' was bowled out in 5 overs in the scheduled 6-over match.

Keshav Agrawal of DAV 'A', who was declared Player of the Final, delivered a standout bowling performance, taking 3 wickets for just 6 runs. Subrat Mallik led the batting effort with an unbeaten 14 runs, the highest of the match.

In the semifinals, DAV 'A' defeated LRI School by 22 runs, while DAV 'B' reached the final by beating API School by 6 wickets.

Pradip Jaisi of DAV 'A' was awarded Player of the Tournament and Best Batter, while Bilak Neupane from Manakamana School was named the Best Bowler.

## Club Induction Ceremony Completed with Grand Success

The Club Induction Ceremony for the 2024/25 academic year was held with great success and splendour in school's state-of-the-art Buddha Hall on September 30.

The event was honoured by the presence of the SSP of Lalitpur, Mr. Shekhar Khanal, alongside key school officials including Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, Chief Administrative Officer Ms. Vijaya Tater, Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji, Middle School Co-ordinator Mr. Krishna Joshi, and Junior School Co-ordinator Mr. Andrew Fitz Patric.

The formal programme commenced with a warm welcome to the Chief Guest and invited parents community, followed by the lighting of the lamp of wisdom and the rendition of the National Anthem.

Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal then conducted the oath-taking ceremony, after which the Chief Guest, accompanied by Vice-Principal and CAO, presented badges to the Club President, Vice-president, Secretary, and executive members. In total of 16 clubs from the Middle and Senior Schools (Grades V to XII) and 6 clubs from the Junior School (Grade III and IV) were formally sworn in under the guidance of the Vice-principal.



As part of the cultural segment, students performed a patriotic song evoking national pride, followed by various dance performances. Middle School students showcased a Salsa dance, Junior School students performed the traditional Tamang Selo, and Senior School students presented a classical fusion of Bharatnatyam, Kathak, and Odissi.

During his address, SSP Mr. Khanal congratulated the newly inducted student leaders and expressed his pleasure at being involved in the educational initiatives of DAV School. He introduced the Police Public Partnership Programme initiated by the Nepal

Police for schools and raised awareness about issues concerning drugs and cyber security, particularly relevant to teenagers in Lalitpur district. He emphasised the important role of educators in identifying the challenges faced by teenagers, whether knowingly or unknowingly.

Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal expressed sincere gratitude to the Chief Guest for attending the event despite his busy schedule. He also acknowledged the valuable presence of parents, whose support inspires their children, and commended the teachers for their efforts in ensuring the programme's success.



## Celebration of Father's Day

DAV School organized a 'Doughnut with Dad' event on the auspicious occasion of Father's Day (Kushe Aunshi/Buwako Mukh Herne Din- 2081 BS) at the school premises on September 2.

Fathers representing all classes from Nursery to Grade XII were cordially invited to join the celebration. The Principal, Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, along with Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, SSO, Wing Co-ordinators, and Heads of Departments warmly welcomed the fathers, demonstrating school's commitment to value-based education.

The fathers visited the classrooms where the students were encouraged and inspired, with their experiences and others interacting with the students and teachers. Following this, the fathers attended a special assembly where the students worshipped them putting Tika on their forehead in return receiving abundant blessings. The fathers were also honoured with khada, and a memorable gift presented by the school. At the end, they were served delicious doughnut and snacks at School's canteen.

Addressing on the auspicious occasion, the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao emphasized that Fatherhood is a role of immense significance and it is a time to reflect on the cultural and philosophical significance of fatherhood, particularly through Eastern Vedic Philosophy. The Principal highlighted



the respect given to the role of a father, noting its importance in the spiritual and moral development of a child.

The Principal further explained that Eastern Philosophy stresses the concept of Dharma—one's duty and moral responsibility—and teaches the importance of providing education to children while instilling virtues such as truth, righteousness, and respect for all beings. She also encouraged the students to honour their fathers every day.

In the same sincerity, Vice Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal expressed sincere gratitude to all the fathers who attended the programme despite their busy schedules.

On behalf of father's community, Mr. Min

Prashad Khanal (father of Aagraj Khanal), an Officer at the Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal, Tribhuvan International Airport, addressed the gathering. He praised the school for organizing the event, describing it as a new experience to interact with a large number of sons and daughters at the same time. He emphasised that the current generation should excel beyond and urged the students to uphold discipline and a hardworking culture in them. He also thanked the DAV for instilling moral values, ethics, and culture in the students.

The school's Music Department students performed beautiful songs dedicated to fathers, adding to the joy and elegance of the occasion.

## German Quiz Challenge 2024



The Department of Foreign Languages at DAV School organised the German Quiz Challenge for Grade IX students in school's auditorium on 26<sup>th</sup> September. The event was held in honour of the National Day of the Federal Republic of Germany, "Tag der Deutschen Einheit," celebrated on 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

The quiz was led by Mr. Sabin Shakya, Head of the Foreign Languages Department. The primary aim of the quiz was to inspire

students, enhance their knowledge and proficiency in the language, and promote academic excellence.

The German Quiz Challenge (GQC), an assessment and learning tool developed by the Goethe-Institute, served as the framework for the event. According to the results, the winning team comprised Pratik Dhimal, Uday Singh, Aarohi Shahi, Sambriddhi Giri, and Naitik Agrawal.

The second position was secured by Sakshyam Thapaliya, Aayush Joshi, Aayush Shah, Prabhav Joshi, and Samrid Khadka. The third place was awarded to Aashraey Khatri, Aryatara Maharjan, Deelasta Buddhacharya, Avin Kathayat, and Ming Han Huang. Finally, the fourth position was claimed by Ruhan M. Bajracharya, Siwani Rai, Sayan Samanta, and Jayash Raj Yadav respectively.

## Visit to Kumari Ghar in Lalitpur



On 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024, DAV Kindergarten students visited the historic Kumari Ghar in Lalitpur. The children learned about the rich cultural heritage and traditions of the living Goddess, Kumari.

The trip aimed at helping the students to appreciate Nepal's religious and cultural significance. The children were thrilled by the ancient architecture and enjoyed a guided tour of the sacred site. The students were accompanied by Kindergarten teachers.

According to Kindergarten Co-ordinator Ms. Shanti Gurung, the visit was a part of school's theme "EACH," for the session 2024/25 which promotes cultural sensitivity and integrates classroom learning with real-life experiences.

## Orientation on ISO 9001:2015 - Quality Management Systems



DAV, the first ISO-certified School in the country, has decided to update its processes in line with ISO 9001:2015- Quality Management Systems.

Mr. Hari Prashad Subedi, from International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in the presence of DAV Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia and the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao led the series of orientation programme on ISO 9001:2015 in the month of September, 2024.

The orientation session aimed at familiarizing participants with the ISO 9001:2015 standards and procedures to enhance the school's management practices.

On 13<sup>th</sup> September, the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao presented a sample of Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) suitable for all the departments as per ISO 9001:2015 requirements.

The resource person suggested school authorities to implement SOP presented by the Principal across all the departments. The orientation was a part of School's Quality Education Policy.

Human Resource Manager, Mr. Ashish Rai expressed sincere gratitude to the resource person, Principal, Vice-principal, CAO, SSO, Wing Co-ordinators and HoDs for making the orientation programme a grand success.

## Participation in World Rabies Day Celebration



Ten students from Grade VIII participated in the World Rabies Day Celebration Programme organised

by Central Zoo, Jawalakhel, Lalitpur, for FOZ member schools on 27<sup>th</sup> September.

According to Mr. Pradeep Shrestha, FOZ Club Co-ordinator of DAV School, the programme aimed to raise awareness about rabies. In addition to attending an informative awareness session, the students took part in the open quiz contest.

DAV students excelled in the quiz, with seven out of ten participants securing prizes. The winners included Arya Dangol from Section D, Sansi Maharjan, Aarohi Thapa, Prathana Shrestha, and Krishma Shrestha from Section E and Sakshi Sah and Chanchal Mohata from Section G respectively.

## Closing Ceremony of English Week



On the 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2024, DAV School marked the conclusion of its English Week with an inspiring speech from the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao. The event was graced by Chief Guest, Prof. Dr. Laxman Gyawali, and President of NELTA, alongside Guest of Honour Shree Anil Kedia, Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal and CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater.

In her address, the Principal emphasized the importance of the theme, "The Power of Words: Unlocking Communication through Spoken English," which had been the focus throughout the week. She highlighted the transformative nature of language, stating that "words can inspire, heal, motivate, and connect us to one another." Reflecting on the various activities,

including debates, speeches, and skits, she applauded the students for their enthusiasm in harnessing the power of language.

The Principal also addressed a growing concern regarding the reluctance of some students to practice English speaking and writing, citing a preference for their mother tongues. While expressing deep respect for native languages, she stressed the importance of English as a crucial tool for success in today's globalized world. "Proficiency in English is not just beneficial—it is essential," she remarked.

The Principal urged the students to strike a balance, encouraging them to cherish their mother tongue while also developing strong English communication

skills. "The more languages you master, the more versatile and capable you become," she added. She concluded her speech by encouraging everyone to "keep practicing, keep speaking, and keep unlocking the power of words."

In the same tradition, the Chief Guest, Dr. Gnawali congratulated all the awardees and appreciated the confidence of students on the stage. He was extremely delighted to see students blooming on the stage and wished to see similar enthusiasm in the future. Recalling his educational history, he briefly outlined the importance of pronunciation, stress and intonation during communication.

During the occasion, a total of fifty one class toppers of different inter-section competition were honoured. Prior to this ceremony a total of three hundred and sixty seven winners of Intra-section competition were honoured with the certificate of achievements.

The competitions held on English Week were Essay Writing Competition, Handwriting Competition, Story Writing Competition, Poetry Writing Competition, Pictorial Story writing Competition, Monologue Competition, Bio Speech Competition, Poetry Recitation Competition and Skit Competition. The competition were organised in different levels.



## Family Jamboree of Grade VIII



A much-anticipated cultural event, the Family Jamboree of Grade VIII, took place in the Buddha Hall on September 11.

The event was graced by the Chief Guest Mr. Sanjay Giri, Rotarian, with special guest Ms. Yulia Koirala from Sushil Arts Academy. The Guest of Honour was Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, alongside Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, and CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater.

Parents and guardians of Grade VIII students attended as the audience. The students led their families on a musical journey,

featuring captivating songs, dances, and theatrical performances.

The highlights of the evening included performances of Nepali and Hindi songs, a Teej dance, martial arts demonstrations dedicated to the Historic Bronze Medal for Nepal by our esteemed Alumni Palesha Goverdhan, international dances, a parents' game competition, English songs, thematic dances, and classical Kathak and Bharatnatyam performances, along with Bollywood dances.

Middle School Co-ordinator, Mr. Krishna Joshi, warmly welcomed all the parents,

noting that the aim of the Family Jamboree is to provide a platform for students to showcase their hidden talents.

Addressing the august gatherings, the Chief Guest, Mr. Sanjay Giri, expressed that Buddha Hall of DAV School always inspiring him to strive for greatness. He extended his heartfelt gratitude to Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia and Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao for transforming DAV into a dreamland of education. He praised students' energetic performances and emphasised that true education is about adding value and character to life, beyond just learning facts and figures. He also shared a moral story, captivating the audience with his eloquence.

Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia reflected on his admiration for Mr. Sanjay Giri, recalling how Giri had once been a role model for him during their time in Birgunj. He shared how Mr. Giri's personality had inspired him to learn English, and how, over the time, they had become like a family.

The event concluded with the Chief Guest, Chairperson, and Principal presenting awards to the winning parents. Mr. Nishant Kumar Rai won the first place in the competition, followed by Mr. Rujan Shrestha in the second place, and Mr. Sanjog Malla in the third. A group of parents also evaluated students' performances, and the winning group received a surprise treat from the Chairperson and Principal.

## Achievers of Principal's Subject Sweepstakes of Science



The Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal in the presence of CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater honoured the winners of Principal's Subject Sweepstakes of Science subject in the morning assembly of Middle School on September 30.

The recipients of the Principal's Subject Sweepstakes Award were Utkrista Khadka

from Grade V 'E', Supriya Yadav from Grade VI 'A', Sakshi Kumari from Grade VII 'G' and Shivam Mall Thakuri from Grade VIII 'C' respectively. Each winner was gifted with a best-selling Science book according to their level.

As per the rules of Principal's Subject Sweepstakes, a student from each Grade gets the Principal's Subject Sweepstakes Award. According to Middle School Activity In-charge, Mr. Surchen Shah, all the students with great interest participated in the Principal's Subject Sweepstakes and most of them were able to submit the answers correctly. Hence, the lucky draw was held to decide the winners.

For more information, DAV School has been organizing Principal's Subject Sweepstakes for English, Science and Mathematics every year with the sole motive to expand the horizon of knowledge. The students who were able to solve and submit the answers correctly were only included in the lucky draw.

## Sports Week Kicks Off in Junior School



Junior School's Sports Week commenced with a great enthusiasm on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2024. The event is packed with fun and energetic competitions designed for students across various grades.

For Grade I and II, the games included Chocolate Hanging, Ball Race, Ball Gathering, Cap the Cone, Balloon Bursting, Hop Race, and Pyramid Race.

Similarly, the challenging events for the students of Grade III and IV are 50-Metre Race, Spoon and Marble Race, Plank Balance, Relay Race, Sack Race, Basketball Dribbling Competition, and Skipping Competition.

Participation in these events was mandatory for all students, providing every individual a chance to showcase their athletic skills and sportsmanship.

## Orientation on Film-Making for Grade X and XI Students



An engaging orientation on film-making was held for Grade X and XI students at School's ultra modern auditorium (Buddha Hall) by Ms. Maanavi Bedi, a film industry veteran with over 11 years of experience on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.

The event aimed to inspire and educate students on various aspects of film-making, drawing from Ms. Bedi's extensive professional background. She was warmly welcomed by Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal and Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji.

The session began with an interactive discussion where Ms. Bedi explored students' interests in film-making. She then presented a sample of her work, including a movie and a music video she had directed, which served as the basis for a deeper discussion. She covered key elements such as imagination, conceptual

development, creativity, technical aspects (including audio and visuals), editing, and the use of AI.

Ms. Bedi guided the students through the entire film-making process, from pre-production to production and post-production, offering valuable insights into the film-making journey.

The orientation not only offered a glimpse into the workings of the film industry but also exposed students to various career paths in film and media. By sharing her expertise and

real-world experiences, Ms. Bedi successfully broadened students' understanding of the art of film-making. Many students expressed that the session provided an enriching experience, offering them insight into how film-makers think and work.

DAV School believes that such orientations by film-makers offer a unique and engaging learning opportunity for students. These sessions help students gain knowledge of both the creative and technical aspects of film-making, while also allowing professionals to share their educational backgrounds and experiences working on feature films, commercials, and digital content. Such interactions can inspire budding filmmakers and enrich their understanding of the arts.

Ms. Bedi's impressive academic background includes graduating from three prestigious film schools: Whistling Woods in 2010, New York Film Academy in 2012, and Prague Film School in 2016. She has assisted on major commercial films like Aiyary, Mohenjo Daro, Phantom, and Aashiqui 2, as well as numerous advertising films. In the last five years, she has transitioned into directing, working on digital ads, TV commercials, short films, music videos, and a mini-series.

## Story Telling by Parents



On September 9, parents of Grade I and II students visited their children's classrooms to share engaging moral stories.

The parents were warmly welcomed by Junior School Co-ordinator, Mr. Andrew Fitz Patric, who oversaw the activities in each classroom. The students were delighted to have their parents and the Junior School Head joining them for this special occasion.

For Grade II, the participating parents included Ms. Poonam Swami (Section A), Ms. Pragya Acharya (Section B), Mr. Ramhari Adhikari (Section C), Mr. Dipak Joshi (Section D), Mr. Sailesh Uprety (Section E), Ms. Sachita Thapa (Section F), Ms. Ankita Sharma (Section G), and Ms. Sachita Kapali (Section H) respectively.

In the same trait, the storytellers for Grade I were Ms. Saraswoti Bhandari (Section A), Dr. Lok Raj

Chaurasiya (Section C), Ms. Esha Yadav (Section D), Ms. Aarati Manandhar (Section E), Ms. Manisha Thapa (Section F), and Ms. Samjhana Kandel (Section G) respectively.

This event is a part of school's long-standing community partnership initiative, which has been a fixture in the Junior School calendar for two decades. The concept developed by the Principal, aimed at strengthening the bond between parents and school. The stories shared by the parents emphasized important moral values, encouraging students to develop into kind and responsible individuals.

Meanwhile, Mr. Ramhari Adhikari, a Grade II parent, praised the event for fostering a meaningful connection between parents and children within school environment.

Similarly, Mr. Rishikesh Thapa, a Grade I parent, described the event as a creative and enjoyable approach to learning. He was impressed by students' enthusiasm and expressed hope for similar programmes in future.

Dr. Lok Raj Chaurasiya, a Grade I parent also found the experience valuable, despite his busy schedule, as it provided an opportunity to engage with children. He remarked that the initiative helps revive the tradition of storytelling, which has become less common over the time.



# Thanksgiving Day for House Keeping, Security and Canteen Staff

*Chairperson noted that it is a human instinct to recognize how others have served, behaved, and supported in different phase of life, and urged students to make gratitude a core value in their lives.*

The Students' Prefect Council organised a Thanksgiving Day to honour the contribution of Housekeeping, Security, and Canteen staff in Buddha Hall on September 10.

The event was held in the gracious presence of Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia as the Chief Guest, with Special Guest Mr. Vikrant Pandey from Fight Back, and the Guest of Honour, Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, SSO, Wing Co-ordinators, and Housekeeping In-Charge Ms. Suchita Shrestha.

In his address, Chairperson expressed his pleasure to witness the Thanksgiving programme, a tradition initiated by the Students' Council every two years. He commended everyone involved for their efforts and fondly remembered some of the staffs who had served both at the Kedia Organisation's Head Office and DAV School, lauding their nurturing care for the students of DAV and Head Office over the years.



He also highlighted the affection and support shown by the staff, particularly during school departure times, and offered heartfelt thanks to the Housekeeping, Security, and Canteen teams for their indispensable role in school's smooth operation.

He encouraged the children to adopt an attitude of gratitude, emphasizing that this mindset is key to achieving success in life. Highlighting his point, he stated, "You can buy anything with love and compassion." He reminded them that it is a human instinct to recognize how others have served, behaved, and supported in different phase of life, and urged students to make gratitude a core value in their lives.

The celebration was further enlivened by the performances from students,

including a band performance and group dances in honour of the staff. The Housekeeping team delighted the audience with their traditional Nepali dances to songs like "Sorai Barse Umerama..." and "Ke Hereko Tulu Tulu," followed by a freestyle dance to "Mohani Lagla Hai." The Security staff also showcased their talent with a performance to the Nepali song "Sali Man Paryo."

Speaking on behalf of honoured staff, Ms. Suchita Shrestha House Keeping In-charge expressed her deep appreciation to the Chairperson, Special Guest, Principal, Vice-Principal, CAO, SSO, Wing Co-ordinators, teachers, and students for organizing such a memorable event and for their time and recognition.

## Ranking of DAV Taekwondo Academy Students



The Nepal Taekwondo Association conducted a physical test to determine the rankings of Taekwondo students at the school premises on August 24. The winners were honoured during the morning assembly on September 26. The evaluations were carried out by National level Referee and 4<sup>th</sup> DAN Master Bachan Magar.

A total of 27 students earned different categories of belts. As per the results, Syna Shrestha (Grade VIII) secured the top rank and was awarded the Full Red Belt, while Sakchyam K.C. (Grade V) earned the Green Blue Belt. In addition,

Shubham K.C. (Grade IX) and Shreya Bajracharya (Grade VII) received the Full Green Belt.

Several students were awarded the Yellow Green Belt, including Yashika Shah, Sajina Banjara and Avash Maharjan from Grade IX, Aavash Moktan, Jhalak Regmi and Abhinav Pandel from Grade VIII, Nirvan Bajracharya, Asmina K.C., Shreya Shri Manandhar and Suzasu Dhakal from Grade VII, Aaradhya Khadka, Satyartha Prakash Adhikari, and Tanishka Shah from Grade VI respectively.

Similarly, Yellow Belts were awarded to Kyozan Tamang, Prayan Sibakoti, Aangsuk Lama Durba Maty and Adhishah Humbar from Grade V, Serolin Rana Magar from Grade VII, Nhujala Shrestha, Arya Pradhanang and Pragya Sibakoti from Grade VIII and Pragyapa from Grade IX respectively.

## Principal's Subject Sweepstakes of Science



The Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal in the presence of Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank

Meghji Devji honoured the winners of Principal's Subject Sweepstakes of Science subject in the morning assembly of Senior School on September 25.

The recipients of the Principal's Subject Sweepstakes Award were Laksh Kedia from Grade IX 'F', Shuvam Pathak from Grade X 'E', Pushpajit Sinha from Grade XI 'A' and Hishna Agrawal from Grade XII 'C'. Each winner was gifted with a best-selling Science book according to their level. The books that were bestowed to the winners were Albert Einstein Ideas and Opinions, Mysteries of the Universe, A Short History of Nearly Everything and Lessons in Chemistry.

## Principal Highlights Cultural Significance of Teej and Advocates for Women's Empowerment



***The Principal emphasized the cultural importance of Teej, noting it as a festival that not only celebrates womanhood but also serves as a reminder of the resilience and strength of women***

The Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao welcomed the school community to Teej celebration, a festival deeply rooted in Nepali culture on September 5.

Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia and the First Lady Shreemati Sunita Kedia made the gracious presence in the celebration as the Chief Guest alongside were representative mothers from each class from Kindergarten to Grade XII. All the teachers enthusiastically participated in the programme.

In her speech, the Principal emphasized the cultural importance of Teej, noting it as a festival that not only celebrates womanhood but also serves as a reminder of the resilience and strength of women. She highlighted

how Teej has historically empowered women, giving them a platform to express themselves, celebrate their traditions, and strengthen their sense of identity.

The Principal tied these reflections to school's 2024-25 theme "EACH," focusing on Empowerment, Academic Excellence, Cultural Awareness, and Holistic Well-being. She reiterated that the school is committed to nurturing cultural values alongside academic learning, emphasizing that festivals like Teej help students connect with their cultural roots while promoting respect for traditions and unity.

The Principal took a moment to address a tragic incident involving a PG intern doctor in Kolkata, India, highlighting ongoing global issues related to women's safety and rights. She emphasized that such incidents are not only crimes but affronts to humanity, stressing the urgent need for a society that respects and empowers women.

During the occasion, Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia extended good wishes for peace, prosperity and happiness to all. He emphasised that women are revered and worshipped in

Vedic traditions, with Teej festival symbolizing this honour. He quoted Vedic teaching, "Gods live in places where women are worshipped," and praised the courage, sacrifice, and love embodied by women.

During the celebration, teachers from Kindergarten, Junior School, Middle School, and Senior School presented captivating Teej dances and songs. Similarly, the invited mothers showcased their dance skills, adding elegance and joy to the festivities.

Ms. Katrina Maharjan, a distinguished alumni of DAV (2<sup>nd</sup> Batch of Grade X and 1<sup>st</sup> Batch of DAV BBA College), returned to School's podium after 24 years expressing her gratitude that DAV feels like her birthplace and home. Overjoyed by the growth and incomparable contribution in the education of Nepal, she praised the outstanding efforts of the management and teachers recognising their pivotal role in DAV's continued success. Her son and daughter are currently studying at DAV School.

The programme was moderated by Nepali HoD Mr. Narayan Khatiwada and Sanskrit HoD Mr. Purushottam Rijal.

## Principal's Subject Sweepstakes of Science (Junior School)



In the ceremony held during the morning assembly on October 2, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, along with Junior School Coordinator Mr. Andrew Fitz Patric, honoured the winners of the Principal's Subject Sweepstakes in Science.

The award recipients were Riyansh Amatya from Grade II 'H', Nirvik Shrestha from Grade III 'C', and Bhavya Sharma from Grade IV 'F'. As per the rules of Principal's Subject Sweepstakes, one student from each grade is selected for the award.

Activity In-charge, Ms. Anusha Rana, shared that the students of the Junior

School showed great enthusiasm in participating in the Principal's Subject Sweepstakes. Many successfully submitted correct answers, and a lucky draw was held to determine the final winners.

For further information, DAV School has been organising the Principal's Subject Sweepstakes annually for English, Science, and Mathematics with the aim of broadening students' knowledge. Only those who submitted correct answers were eligible for the lucky draw.



## Celebration of Family Jamboree of Grade III



DAV School organised its annual cultural showcase for Grade III on October 7, featuring an enchanting array of performances in Buddha Hall.

The Family Jamboree was graced by the Guest of Honour, Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, along with the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, SSO, Wing Co-ordinators, HR, and HODs.

The programme began with a traditional Vedic-style welcome, including a lamp-lighting ceremony and a rendition of the national anthem. The event then commenced with a soulful English song, "The Lion Sleeps Tonight," performed by the students, followed by captivating Kathak, Maruni, and Bharatnatyam dances, Hindi song- 'Tera Mujse Hai', as well as Bollywood and Tollywood dance numbers. Highlights included a thematic

dance titled "Say No to Junk Food," as well as hip-hop and freestyle performances.

This vibrant showcase demonstrated the diverse talents of Grade III students, who left their families mesmerised by their creative performances. Parents also joined in the festivities, with some participating in a fun –filled game competition. As per the results, Mr. Ananda Rajbhandari and Ms. Samjhana Shrestha won the first position followed by Mr. Areen Rai and Ms. Roji Shrestha in the second position and Mr. Keeval Mohanka and Ms. Nupur Agrawal in the third positions respectively. The winners were honoured with prizes by the Chairperson immediately after the competition.

The Family Jamboree, envisioned by the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, has provided a platform for artistic expression for over two decades, encouraging students to excel in the performing arts. The MCs for the ceremony were Junior School Activity In-charge Ms. Anusha Rana, along with Junior School Teachers Ms. Kopila Khatri, Ms. Eni Subba, and Ms. Kalpana Bhatta.

## Winners of Character Tree Award of Middle School

The Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal honoured the winners of Character Tree Award in the especial assembly of Middle School on September 30.

The students who received the honour with Character Tree Award were the winners of their section. The Character Tree Award is bestowed to one deserving student from each section from Grade I to XII in a semester.

The winners of Character Tree Award from Grade V are Sumer Bajracharya- V 'A', Shreeya Bhandari- V 'B', Anushree Karki- V 'C', Shashank Khadgi- V 'D', Karika Shrestha- V 'E', Samyak Pratap Maharjan- V 'F', Kritartha Shrestha- V 'G', Pranav Agrawal- V 'H' and Aviv Lamsal- V 'I'.

Similarly, the winners from Grade VI are Vaishnavi Shah- VI 'A', Shubham Gautam- VI 'B', Ankit Begha- VI 'C', Abhipsa Dhakal- VI 'D', Swojash Devkota - VI 'E', Saphal Adhikari- VI 'F' and Samragyi Shiwakoti- VI 'G', Hitanshi Sah- VI 'H', Hapija Sekh- VI 'I' and Advaita Chaitanya- VI 'J'.



Likewise, the recipients of Character Tree Award from Grade VII are Pratyusha Shrestha- VII 'A', Avanish Gupta- VII 'B', Krishna Awale- VII 'C', Samip Pokhrel - VII 'D', Divyash Maskey - VII 'E', Anmol Sharma- VII 'F', Diksha Mishra- VII 'G', Arav Chaudhary- VII 'H' and Shaswat Choudhary- VII 'I'.

In the same trait, the winners from Grade VIII are Aarohi Shrestha- VIII 'A', Sarbani Subedi- VIII 'B', Arjav Dali- VIII 'C', Prashansa Verma- VIII 'D', Stuti Rasaily- VIII 'E', Numa Awale- VIII 'F', Darshana Mukherjee- VIII 'G', Kritika Gupta- VIII 'H' and Khatija Tariq –VIII 'I'. The name of the winners was announced by Middle School Activity In-charge Mr. Surchen Shah.

## Traditions in Threads: Ethnic Dress Fashion Show



'Dress fashion Show' was observed in Junior and Kindergarten School on October 8. As a part of Ethnic Fashion show, the students introduced their

ethnic/cultural dress to the judges. The winners were honoured with certificate of achievements.

## Inter-House Deusi Bhailo Competition



Nepali Department and Devkota Nepali Club at DAV School organised an inspiring "Inter-House Deusi Bhailo Competition" on October 8, celebrating the festive spirit of Dashain and Tihar.

Held in the lively Buddha Hall, the event gathered students from Grades V to VIII, who enthusiastically showcased their cultural pride and artistic flair through traditional Deusi Bhailo performances.

The competition featured spirited participation from all the houses, with students displaying enthusiasm, grace, and a deep respect for Nepali tradition. Deusi Bhailo, an essential part of Tihar festival in Nepal, involves a harmonious blend of singing, dancing, and blessings, with performers visiting homes to share joy and prosperity. The students captured this essence beautifully, incorporating classic songs and dance moves with creative touches.

In a close contest, Mt. Machhapuchhre House claimed first place, followed by Mt. Gaurishankar House in second, and Mt. Kanchanjunga House in third respectively. The winning teams were praised for their energy, precision, and the ability to captivate the audience.

School officials present included Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, Middle School Coordinator Mr. Krishna Joshi, Head of the Nepali Department Mr. Narayan Khatiwada, and Senior School Activity In-charge Mr. Tankanath Ghimire. The competition was evaluated by Dance Teacher Ms. Sashi Paudel and Music Teacher Mr. Bibek Thapa, with Grade X student Anushuya Dhungana serving as the MC.

In his concluding remarks, Vice-Principal highlighted the cultural significance of Deusi-Bhailo and encouraged students to integrate these traditions into social service, as their senior batches have done. Nepali HOD announced the results, noting that the Deusi Bhailo Competition aligns with the cultural focus of the school's theme, EACH, for the 2024/25 session. Middle school students from Grades V to VIII were the audience.

## Intersection Quiz Contest for Grade VI Students



On October 1, Grade VI teachers' team organised an Inter-section Quiz Contest for Grade VI students in Indu Hall.

A total of 40 students, with four representing each section, were selected by their respective class teachers to compete. The audience comprised all students from Grade VI.

Mr. Aakash Bishwokarma served as the Quiz Master, delivering an engaging contest through five rounds: 'All Rounder', 'Pick Your Pick', 'Select One', 'Audio-Visual Round', and the 'Rapid Fire Round'. Ipsa Sharma from Grade VI 'J' assisted on the board, while Linura Gurung from VI 'A' did the timekeeping. Ms. Pratikshya Ojha, middle school library teacher, displayed the questions on the screen.

As per the results, the team from Section J, consisting of Darsh Mishra, Syankita Majhi, and Ansh Jaiswal, secured the first

place while team from Section F- Safal Adhikari, Pragyan Bista, and Jayanti Sah, took second place. And Section D team, with Darshan Shrestha, Reagan Baidha, and Sadira Thapa, finished in the third place respectively.

Middle School Co-ordinator Mr. Krishna Joshi, along with the Middle School Activity In-charge, presented awards, reading books, and certificates of achievement to the winners. All participants received certificates of participation, and Mr. Joshi commended their efforts.

The quiz aimed at enhancing students' knowledge across various subjects. The questions covered all academic areas, including current affairs beyond the textbooks. Quiz Master Mr. Bishwokarma noted that the Intersection Quiz Contest was aligned with school's theme 'EACH' for the 2024/25 session, promoting academic excellence among the students.



## USA Tour, 2024/25: A Journey of Exploration and Inspiration

*The fourth day was once-in-a-lifetime experience as the students witnessed a live rocket launch.*

A group of 29 enthusiastic students from DAV School embarked on an unforgettable educational tour to the United States of America (USA) from 24<sup>th</sup> September to 5<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

They were accompanied by Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, SSO Mr. Prashant Samal, and Middle School teacher Ms. Shreejana Rana. This meticulously planned tour combined cultural exploration, academic enrichment, and moments of leisure, leaving an indelible mark on everyone involved.

The journey commenced on 24<sup>th</sup> September as the group departed from New Delhi and arrived in the bustling city of New York via Air India. Known as the "City That Never Sleeps," New York provided the perfect beginning to their adventure. On the first day, the students experienced iconic landmarks such as the Brooklyn Bridge, the vibrant Manhattan area, and the 86<sup>th</sup> floor of a renowned skyscraper, offering panoramic views of the city. The group also ventured to New Jersey, soaking in the dynamic urban atmosphere.

The second day unfolded with a visit to the world-famous Statue of Liberty, a symbol of freedom and hope. Following this awe-inspiring experience, the students explored other notable sights before heading to the airport for their flight to Florida.

Florida brought a new excitement on the third day as the group visited Orlando, home to the renowned Kennedy Space Center. At NASA, they explored the wonders of space exploration and later



enjoyed a shopping spree, immersing themselves in the local culture.

The fourth day was once-in-a-lifetime experience as the students witnessed a live rocket launch. This extraordinary event was complemented by engaging activities, culminating in the presentation of participation certificates. A highlight of the day was a session with Sir Don Thomas, a distinguished astronaut who has travelled to space four times. His inspiring presentation and interaction with the students underscored their keen interest and deep knowledge of astronomy.

On the fifth day, the group relaxed and reveled in the natural beauty of Florida's pristine beaches, enjoying games and recreational activities. The sixth day was filled with excitement as the students visited Universal Studios and the Islands of Adventure, experiencing thrilling rides and captivating attractions.

The seventh day marked a transition as the group flew from Florida to Baltimore and travelled onwards to Niagara Falls. The awe-inspiring sight of the cascading

waterfalls created unforgettable memories, with adventurous activities adding to the thrill.

On the eighth day, the students travelled to Boston by bus. The charm of Boston's historical landmarks and bustling markets left a lasting impression.

The ninth day was a highlight for the academically inclined students as they visited the prestigious Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Engaging interactions with professors offered valuable insights into the world of higher education and innovation.

On the tenth final day, the group flew back to New York, wrapping up their extraordinary tour. They prepared to return home, carrying with them memories of joy, curiosity, and a profound appreciation for the scientific advancements of the USA.

The USA Tour 2024/25 was a resounding success, providing the students with enriching experiences that broadened their horizons and ignited their aspirations.

## DAV Sports Teachers Certified as "O" Level Cricket Coaches



Mr. Durgesh Thapa and Mr. Bhuvneshwar Ram, sports teachers of DAV Cricket Academy, have been officially recognized as "O" Level Cricket Coaches after successfully completing a two-day "O" Level Cricket Coaching Course on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of October, 2024.

The training was organized by Kathmandu District Cricket Association (KDCA), Bagmati Province. A total of 19 coaches from the Bagmati province participated in the course. They were honoured with Certificates of Appreciation by KDCA officials.

## Character Tree Award Ceremony in Junior School



On October 2, a special ceremony took place at Partik Hall where Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanna in the presence of Junior School Co-ordinator Mr. Andrew Fitz Patrick awarded the prestigious Character Tree Award and Certificates to outstanding students from the Junior School for the 1<sup>st</sup> Semester of 2024/25.

The Character Tree award highlights students' efforts in upholding the values cherished by the institution. The Character Tree Award serves as a reflection of school's mission to foster holistic development and inspire students to make positive contributions to their community.

The awardees included Shrivik Bajracharya (I-A), Vivaan Jaiswal (I-B), Aprabee Tiwari (I-C), Siddhanta Gupta (I-D), Pankaj (I-E), Sameep Panti (I-F), Aarav Shrestha (I-G), Darsh Pal (II-A), Pranav Ranjitkar (II-B), Shruti Dangol (II-C), Pranavi Malla (II-D), Reewaz Raj Shahi (II-E), Advik Purkart (II-F), Yashvi Shah (II-G), Aarohan Bista (II-H), Aarohi Soni (III-A), Ashlesh Pokhrel (III-B), Aman Kumar Jha (III-C), Aaditya Adhikari (III-D), Vanaa Devkota (III-E), Ananya Mishra (III-F), Ashna Rajbhandari (III-G), Eva Maharjan (III-H), Shraddha Dahal (IV-A), Sadikshya Silwal (IV-B), Suhani Singh (IV-C), Reeva Maharjan (IV-D), Abhiraj Maharjan (IV-E), Anuska Mondal (IV-F), Yuwan Thokar (IV-G), Samresh Subedi (IV-H), and Kusum Rai (IV-I) respectively.

## Vanshika Agrawal Won Joint Best Interjector Award



Vanshika Agrawal, a Grade XII student, won the Joint Best Interjector Award at 23<sup>rd</sup> Dr. Amidas Goradia International Interschool Debate 2024.

The debate was organised by The Indian School using online platforms on 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2024. Vice-Principal, Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, honoured Vanshika on behalf of school management on October 4.

In the same debate, Naitik Ranka from Class X CBSE and Keshavi Somani from XI CBSE also showcased their excellent debating skills.

## Dashain Cup 2024: A Vibrant Festival of Sports



The Dashain Cup 2024, commenced on 30<sup>th</sup> September, concluded with a grand success at DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati on October 5.

This annual sports extravaganza featured exhilarating competitions in futsal, cricket, basketball, badminton, table tennis, and taekwondo, drawing an enthusiastic crowd of students and supporters. Throughout

the week, all the teams demonstrated exceptional talent and sportsmanship, creating a dynamic and festive atmosphere celebrating athletic spirit.

According to Mr. Purnendu Ghosh, Head of DAV Sports Academy, the primary goal of Dashain Cup was to foster a robust sporting culture within the student community, promote holistic development, and nurture a healthy sense of competition.

The competitions took place in various venues across the campus: football matches were held at both the Futsal Ground and Football Ground, basketball on the Basketball Court, table tennis in Pratik Hall, cricket at the Crisal Ground of DAV College Bhanimandal, badminton in

Indu Hall, and taekwondo in the Yoga Hall.

Hundreds of students from Grades III to XII took part, with winners, first runner-up, and second runners-up receiving medals and merit certificates presented by school officials immediately after each competition. Individual awards were also given to outstanding players in each game. Additionally, younger participants from Grades III, IV, V and VI were honoured with consolation prizes to encourage their future engagement.

The Dashain Cup 2024 was meticulously managed by teachers from DAV Sports Academy, ensuring a seamless and inspiring event for all involved.



## Family Jamboree of Grade IX

*In a special emphasis, Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia noted that, DAV School integrates education with culture, highlighting the importance of discipline, perseverance, and tolerance in life.*

DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati School hosted a delightful Family Jamboree for Grade IX families on 26<sup>th</sup> November. The event, held in the state-of-the-art Buddha Hall, featured a variety of cultural performances and activities, celebrating togetherness and talent.

The programme began with a soulful rendition of the Sufi song Saiyyan, followed by a warm welcome to the School's Patron, Shree Anil Kedia, and a special guest Mr. Min Prashad Khanal, an officer at the Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal, Tribhuvan International Airport. The traditional lighting of the lamp and the singing of the national anthem set an auspicious tone for the day.

The event's highlights included vibrant performances such as Bharatanatyam, a Nepali cultural Sherpa dance, Kathak, and a colourful Mexican dance. Parents added to the joy with a fun-filled game competition, bringing excitement to the atmosphere. A thematic Halloween dance performance captivated the audience with its creativity and storytelling.

In the parents' game competition, Ms. Archana Deo secured the first position, followed by Ms. Ruma Shrestha in second place and Ms. Sudha Singh, third.



Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, alongside Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, honoured the winners during the ceremony.

Addressing the gathering, Patron Shree Kedia delivered an inspiring speech, praising school's efforts in promoting cultural diversity and family bonding. He expressed delight at students' exceptional talents, noting that many guests were amazed by their performances and even wondered whether professional artists had been invited. Shree Kedia congratulated the Principal, dance and music teachers, and students for their hard work and dedication.

In a special emphasis, he noted that, DAV School integrates education with culture, highlighting the importance of discipline, perseverance, and tolerance in life. He encouraged Grade IX parents to foster an environment that supports academic excellence at least over the next 5–6 years, aligning with global standards. He further stressed the significance of technical education and competitive exams, urging

parents to prepare their children for a future where technical expertise is essential.

The event concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, followed by energetic performances of English song and Bollywood dances, leaving everyone with joyful memories.

The Family Jamboree programme was conceptualised by Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, who has been actively guiding teachers and students in dance, music, theatre, and other forms of art to achieve holistic learning. The event was meticulously planned under school's theme "EACH" for the 2024–25 session.

Vice Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, along with SSO Wing Co-ordinators, HR, HODs and teachers were present to extend generous hospitality and warm welcome to all the invited guests. The moderators of the programme were Senior School teachers Ms. Pratikshya Nepali, Mr. Shovan Bhandari, Ms. Diksha Koirala, and Ms. Kamana Adhikari.

## Celebration of Anti-bullying Week in Junior and Middle School



The Counseling Team organised Anti-bullying Week for the Primary Wing and Middle School, featuring a variety of engaging activities from 24<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> November.

The celebration aimed at raising awareness about bullying and fostering kindness, respect, and empathy among students according to Counseling Team Head Ms. Pratikshya Nepali.

For Grade I, the Wrinkled Heart Activity was held where students used paper hearts to illustrate the impact of hurtful words and the importance of kindness, as students wrinkled their hearts for unkind words and smoothed them for kind ones.

Similarly, Grade II students created pledge cards, committing to make their classrooms bullying-free zones, while

Grade III students worked on a worksheet encouraging them to reflect on ways to show respect to themselves, their surroundings, and others.

In the same trait, Grade IV, students created slogans to promote the theme of Respect. A poster-making competition was conducted for Grades V and VI, centered on the same theme, and Grades VII and VIII expressed their thoughts on Respect through essays, poems, and stories.

All the winners of the week were honoured with certificate of achievements.

## Mr. Thapa Joins Lumbini Lions for NPL Season 1



Mr. Durgesh Thapa, a dedicated coach at DAV Cricket Academy and Sports Teacher of DAV School, represented the Lumbini Lions in the inaugural season of the Nepal Premier League (NPL).

His selection came following a two-day talent hunt held on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> November 2024 in Bhairahawa, Rupandehi. He played as a wicketkeeper and a batsman for Lumbini Lions.

DAV School family takes immense pride in Mr. Thapa's achievement, recognizing his inclusion in one of the most prestigious cricket leagues of the country. The school wished Good Luck in his journey to NPL Season 1.

## Smeera Honoured in Award Ceremony of MIS



Smeera Shrestha, student from Grade VIII was honoured in Award Ceremony of Modern Indian School (MIS), Chovar Kathmandu on November 29. She won the second position in Inter-School Art Competition. She was honoured with a Certificate and Trophy by Shree Prasanna Shrivastava, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of India in the presence of Principal Col. Raju Peter at the School premises.

## Avanie Won 2 Golf Championships during Festive Season



Avanie Rai, a student of Grade VIII 'H,' triumphed in two golf championships during the festive season. On November 7, she won the women's title at a

championship organized by the Royal Nepal Golf Club in collaboration with Rotary Club of Himbaya Golfers.

Earlier, on October 5, Avanie had also secured the Tele Digital Dain Golf Title in the women's category, hosted by Royal Nepal Golf Club.

DAVSKVB family extended heartfelt congratulations to Avanie on her remarkable achievements and wished her continued success in her future endeavours.

## Celebration of World Children's Day, 2024



World Children's Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and joy on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2024. To mark the occasion, the school organised a bagless day, offering students a refreshing break from their usual routines and promoting alternative methods of learning.

Students from Kindergarten to Grade XI

participated in a variety of engaging activities. The day began with a special assembly led by the teachers, featuring motivational speeches, songs, and performances that highlighted children's rights, education, and well-being.

Interactive activity sessions were also conducted by the teachers, fostering creativity, teamwork, and critical thinking among the students. All students attended the celebration in their regular school uniforms.

In Kindergarten, a unique assembly included teacher-led rhymes, dances, and fun games, culminating in a delightful cake-cutting activity. Teachers from all wings of the school organised a vibrant morning assembly dedicated to the students, incorporating lively songs, dances, and enactments.

The Junior School (Grades I to IV) students were delighted with a dance fiesta and a movie screening, while classroom celebrations took place across the entire school. Teachers treated students with delicious snacks, thoughtful gifts, and, of course, cakes in each classroom.

Middle school students enjoyed a captivating stage programme featuring short dramas, dances, and songs performed by their teachers, which added to the festive spirit.

Overall, the celebration of World Children's Day was a resounding success. The students relished the chance to learn and enjoy in a dynamic, joyful environment, making it a memorable day for all.



## First-Level Olympiad of SilverZone Foundation

The students from Grades III to XII participated in the first level Olympiad of Silver Zone Foundation, New Delhi, India, on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2024.

A total of 2,499 students took part in the International Olympiad of English Language (IOEL) on November 12, followed by 2,396 students in the International Olympiad of Science (IOS) on November 13. Additionally, 2,417 students participated in the International Olympiad of Mathematics (IOM) on November 19.

The Silver Zone Foundation evaluated the completed Olympiad papers, with results in January or February 2025. Class toppers earned the chance to compete in the Second Level Olympiad.



The Olympiads were organized with dedication by the Heads of the Science, Mathematics, and English Departments, under the guidance of school authorities. The Silver Zone Olympiad is held in high regard by DAV students, alongside participants from other countries, as a prestigious academic competition.

## Participation in Educational Exhibition



Around 300 students from DAV School actively participated in an educational exhibition held at Bhandarkhal Garden, Patan Durbar Square, on November 29.

The event was jointly organized by the Private and Boarding School Organization Nepal (PABSON) and the Lalitpur Metropolitan City Office.

The exhibition, titled "Utility of Traditional and Historical Household Tools and Equipment," was designed to align with

the Social Studies curriculum theme, "Explore the Ancient Ingenuity of Lalitpur." It aimed to provide students with an immersive learning experience, helping them explore traditional tools and their historical significance within the World Heritage Site of Patan Durbar Square.

The participating students included those from Grade VIII (both SEE and CBSE streams) and executive members of the Mother Teresa Social Service Club, along with Social Club members from Grades V to VIII.

The students were accompanied by Ms. Aarti Sharma, Head of the Social Studies Department; Mr. Aakash Bishwokarma, In-charge of the Mother Teresa Social Service Club and some middle school teachers.

PABSON, Lalitpur, highlighted that the event offered a unique opportunity for students to connect with their heritage and deepen their understanding of the traditional practices that have shaped the local culture.

## Visit to Kirtipur Hospital



On 21<sup>st</sup> November 2024, a total of 40 selected students from Classes V to VIII participated in an educational visit to Kirtipur Hospital. The event was organized for Mother Teresa Social Service Club members and HPE students of middle school. The visit began at 11:00 a.m., with students gathering at the main ground of the secondary block as per the instruction.

The students were accompanied by their teachers, Mr. Aakash Bishwokarma and Ms. Anu Bajracharya, who guided them throughout the visit.

As a part of the programme, the students attended an informative orientation session on burn safety and prevention conducted by the hospital's senior doctor and director, Dr. Kiran Nakarmi. This was followed by a presentation about hospital's operations delivered by Dr. Sushma Dongol.

The visit included a tour of the general ward and children's ward, where the students distributed food items such as biscuits and horlicks. They also engaged in conversations with nurses and staff, gaining valuable insights into their roles and responsibilities.

Before the departure, the students contributed small donation to the PHECT organization, which ensures support for needy patients at the hospital.

The activity aimed to raise awareness about healthcare, instill social service values, and provide students with practical exposure to hospital operations.

## Tug of War Competition for Grade III and IV Students



On 21<sup>st</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> November, Junior School House Teachers organized an exciting Tug

of War competition for Grade III and IV students at the school's futsal ground. The event saw enthusiastic participation from 136 students, who demonstrated remarkable teamwork and strength throughout the competition.

Aligned with school's theme, EACH (focusing on the holistic development of students), the activity aimed to foster essential values such as collaboration

and resilience. Ms. Rita Khadka, the Annapurna House In-charge, highlighted the significance of such events in nurturing these qualities.

The competition was officiated by Ms. Ashmita Tamang, who ensured a fair and enjoyable experience for all. House In-charge teachers actively encouraged and supported their teams, adding to the vibrant atmosphere.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Inter-School Yoga Competition Concluded with a Remarkable Success



DAV School organised 1<sup>st</sup> Inter School Yoga Competition with a resounding success in its premises on December 23.

The event was graced by Dr. Chintamani Gautam, a renowned lifestyle trainer, as the Chief Guest, alongside the Guest of Honour DAV Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia, who reaffirmed his unwavering commitment to promote yoga and meditation in school and college education respectively.

The esteemed judging panel included Shree Madhusudan Bhetuwal, Founder of BMS Adventures, and Shree Kedarnath Bastakoti, Chairperson of the Federation of Bagmati Province Yoga Sports. The competition attracted participation from six schools: Asia Pacific School, Lalitpur Global Academy School, Modern Indian School (MIS), Rosemary Idol Boarding School, The Chandbagh School, and DAVSKVB School, with a total of 33 students competing across three categories for both boys and girls.

The results were as follows:

- Under-11 Boys: Pranab Pandey (Modern Indian School) secured first place, followed by Rhydhem Lamichhane (Asia Pacific School) and Shibam Yadav (DAVSKVB School).
- Under-11 Girls: Sonam Tamang (Rosemary Idol Boarding School) claimed first place, with Aanchal Mohota (DAVSKVB School) and Manshi Chaudhary (MIS) taking second and third places, respectively.
- Under-14 Boys: Satish Gupta (DAVSKVB School) won first place, followed by Babin Shrestha (Asia Pacific School) and Manjil Shakya (MIS).
- Under-14 Girls: Pratushya Khatiwoda (Rosemary Idol Boarding School)

earned first place, while Navya Mohota (DAVSKVB School) and Shreya Mishra (Lalitpur Global Academy) secured second and third places.

- Under-16 Boys: Dev Gharti Magar (DAVSKVB School) achieved first place, followed by Medansh Agrawal (MIS) and Utsav Koirala (Lalitpur Global Academy).
- Under-16 Girls: Binisha Pandit (Rosemary Idol Boarding School) took first place, with Siyana Baral (The Chandbagh School) and Sadiva Rijal (MIS) finishing in second and third places.

Special awards were presented to Leona Shrestha (DAVSKVB School) as the Best Performer in the Girls' category and Priyanshu K.C. (The Chandbagh School) as the Best Performer in the Boys' category. Overall, the Rosemary Idol Boarding School team emerged as the champions, claiming the winning trophy, while DAV School and MIS secured the first and second runner-up trophies, respectively.

The winners were honoured with certificates, medals, and trophies by the Chief Guest, Chairperson of DAV School, and Vice-Principal. All the participants were awarded certificates of participation, recognising their commendable efforts.

In his address, Dr. Chintamani Gautam lauded the initiative of DAV Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia in providing a platform for young yoga enthusiasts to showcase their skills. He emphasised the importance of holistic education encompassing moral values, discipline, and cultural enrichment, which can be significantly enhanced through yoga and meditation. Dr. Gautam also delivered a brief presentation on the physical, mental, emotional, social, and spiritual disciplines that yoga fosters.

Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal expressed his commitment to organising the second edition of the competition next year. He extended his heartfelt gratitude to the distinguished guests, participating schools, DAV's Sports Department, and school officials for their collective efforts in ensuring the event's success.

The programme's emcees, Omraj Jha and Akshya Sah from Grade X, impressed the audience with their engaging presentation. The Sports Head of DAVSKVB School highlighted the competition's aim of fostering a deeper appreciation of yoga's performance aspects and its benefits for physical fitness and curative values.

Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji and Senior School Activity In-charge Mr. Tankanath Ghimire provided exemplary hospitality and support, contributing significantly to the success of this milestone.

## Avanie Triumphs at Junior Golf Tournament 2024



The Junior Golf Tournament 2024, held on 21<sup>st</sup> December, was a grand success, jointly organised by the Royal Nepal Golf Club (RNGC) and the Nepal Golf Association (NGA) as part of the Youth Golf Development Programme. The event brought together 40 talented

young golfers across various categories, each showcasing their remarkable skill and passion for the sport.

In the Girls Under-16 category, Avanie Rana, a Grade VIII 'H' student of DAV School delivered an outstanding performance to secure the winner's title. She was closely followed by Anavadya Malla, who claimed the 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up position, and Yashwi Shrestha, who earned the 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up spot.



## Celebration of Family Jamboree of Grade VI



DAV School proudly celebrated the Family Jamboree of Grade VI for the 2024–25 academic session on December 20.

The event was graced by the Patron of DAV School, Shree Anil Kedia, the First Lady, Shreemati Sunita Kedia, the Guest of Honour - Dr. Biplov Adhikari, a renowned dental health surgeon alongside Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, special guests - Mr. and Mrs. Sanjay Agrawal, Mr. and Mrs. Ajaya Ghiraiya, Ms. Yulia Koirala-Founder of Sushila Arts Academy, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO, SSO, Wing Co-ordinators, HR Manager, and HODs.

Middle School Co-ordinator, Mr. Krishna Joshi, extended a warm welcome to the distinguished guests and the parents' community on behalf of DAV School family.

The students showcased their extraordinary talents through an array of vibrant performances, including dances, music, enactments, and other performing arts. Highlights of the cultural programme featured a Nepali song, Wave of the World

Dance, Nepali Dance, Classical Dance, Thematic Dance, Hindi Classical Dance, International Dance, and Bollywood Dance.

The enthusiastic support from parents and guardians - who cheered and motivated their children during the performances - added to the celebratory atmosphere. A fun-filled game was also organised for some interested parents, with prizes awarded to the best performers by the First Lady and the Principal. Some parents were invited as judges to evaluate the performances.

The Guest of Honour, Dr. Biplov Adhikari, expressed his delight at being part of such a prestigious event. He praised the programme as one of the finest parent-focused events he had attended and shared valuable insights from his professional experiences in dental health. He also inspired the audience with a moral story encouraging children to always speak the truth with their parents and teachers.

The Family Jamboree concluded successfully, leaving everyone with joyous smiles.

## Principal Honours Xianna



Xianna Maharjan, an emerging young swimmer from DAV School, was honoured by the Principal, Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, on 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2024, for her exceptional performance at 20<sup>th</sup> LA Inter-school Swimming Championship 2024.

Xianna competed in the 25m Backstroke event in the 8 years under (Girls) category. She secured the first position with an impressive time of 00:26.12.

The Principal congratulated Xianna on her remarkable achievement and encouraged her to continue excelling in swimming. The championship was organized at Little Angels' School's premises on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.

## DAV Students Shine at the Ambassador Cup Chinese Language and Cultural Contest



Twelve talented students from DAV School showcased their exceptional abilities at the Ambassador Cup Chinese Language and Cultural Contest 2024, organised by the Embassy of the People's Republic of China on 24<sup>th</sup> November.

The prize distribution ceremony took place at Hotel Yak and Yeti on 26<sup>th</sup> November, graced by the Honourable Minister Bidya Bhattarai and His Excellency Chen Song, Ambassador of China.

In the competition results, Arya Pandey of Grade IX 'D' secured the Outstanding Position in the Chinese Speech Competition. Similarly, Ranveer Gupta of Grade V 'H' earned the Second Position in the same category.

Hitesha Shakya of Grade X 'B' impressed the judges by winning the Second Position in the Painting Competition.

In the Chinese Cultural Dance Competition, Mayur Basnet of Grade VI 'C' and Sanskriti Thapa of Grade VI 'D' claimed the Third

Position and were awarded trophies, certificates, and cash prizes.

Adding to school's accolades, Kavya Thapa (V 'D'), Parishna Bastola (VIII 'D'), Dhanshita Gurung (IV 'C'), Aarohi Regmi (VII 'D'), Aarya Regmi (VIII 'D'), Samikshya Poudel (V 'D'), and Hemangi Parajuli (IV 'C') secured the Third Position in the Group Singing Competition (Chinese song), receiving certificates and a trophy.

On behalf of School Management, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal congratulated and honoured all the winners during the morning assembly on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024, extending his best wishes for their future success.

## Corridor Ceremony Celebrates Victorious Results of GEMS Thunder Bolt Cup



The players of DAV School achieved remarkable victories in the prestigious GEMS Thunder Bolt Cup 2024, excelling across various events. To honour their outstanding achievements, a special corridor ceremony was held at the entrance of Indu Sadan on December 26.

DAV Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia in the presence of Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, and Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji congratulated and honoured all the winners and their team coaches during the event.

### *The results of GEMS Thunder Bolt Cup 2024 were as follows:*

**Under-18 Boys Cricket:** The team clinched the championship trophy with a thrilling 1-run victory over VS Niketan in the final. All players were awarded gold medals and merit certificates.

**Under-12 Boys Cricket:** This team also secured the championship trophy, defeating Little Angels' School by 34 runs in the final. Kamal Shahi was named Best Batsman, while Bikesh Jaiswal earned the Man of the Series title. Gold medals and

merit certificates were presented to all the players.

**Under-16 Boys Cricket:** The team won the second runner-up trophy by defeating the host school, GEMS. Keshav Agrawal received the Best Bowler award, and all players were honoured with bronze medals and merit certificates.

**Table Tennis:** Riwan Muni Bajracharya won the gold medal in the Under-12 Boys Individual Category, while Nirvana Bajracharya secured the bronze medal in the Under-15 Boys Individual Category. Overall, DAV achieved the second runner-up position in the event.

**Taekwondo:** Aavash Moktan earned a silver medal in the Under-68kg Boys Category, and Aavash Maharjan won bronze in the Under-74kg Boys Category, both competing in the Kyorugi event.

Addressing the players and the DAV Sports Academy, Shree Anil Kedia emphasised that consistent practice is a key to success and acknowledged the challenge of maintaining championship status year after year. He extended his heartfelt congratulations to the Sports Department teachers and all the players, wishing them success in their future endeavours. The MC for the Corridor ceremony was Head of the Sports Department, Mr. Purnendu Ghosh.

## 2-Day Exclusive Training for Football Academy Students

Starting from December 30, 2024, DAV Sports Academy, in collaboration with Jawalakhel Football Club, launched a two-day exclusive training program for the students of DAV Football Academy.

Mr. Purnendu Ghosh, Head of Physical Education Department, explained that the objective of the training camp is to provide students with a comprehensive understanding about the 11 side full ground concept.

A total of 50 players from DAV School (Grades IV to X) are participating in this training camp, which has seen students divided into four teams: Red, Green, Yellow, and Blue. The participants expressed great enthusiasm about training on a large field and learning game strategies, formations, and various skills.



The training session was initiated by Mr. Vijay Mahajana, Head Football Coach of DAV Sports Academy, and Assistant Coach Mr. Yaman Maharjan. Football enthusiasts were welcomed to visit Jawalakhel Football Ground on 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2024, from 7:30 to 11:30 AM and witness the training in action.

### A Historic Win for DAV Football Team



DAV Under-16 Football Team secured a historic win against Police School at 30<sup>th</sup> Inter-School IGP Football Running Trophy on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

In a thrilling match, DAV triumphed with a 2-0 win over Nepal Police School, Samakhushi, Kathmandu. Captain Anuj Thapa and Arnab Man Chhetri each scored a goal, marking this exemplary achievement. Anuj Thapa's outstanding performance earned him the Man of the Match award.



## Doughnut with Dad: Celebrating Father's Role in Education



DAV School organised a much awaited event, 'Doughnut with Dad', on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024, within the school premises. Representative fathers from Nursery to Grade XII were cordially invited to participate in the celebration.

The event commenced with a heartfelt welcome extended to the fathers by Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, along with SSO, Wing Co-ordinators, HR and Heads of Departments. This gesture reflected school's dedication to value-based education and fostering meaningful connections between families and school community.

The fathers had the opportunity to visit classrooms, where students engaged them through inspiring discussions, interactive activities, and personal experiences shared by both students and teachers. Following this, a special assembly was

held, during which students honoured their fathers by presenting them khada scarves and heartfelt gifts, creating a memorable moment of gratitude and appreciation.

Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia addressed the assembly, encouraging students to value and respect their fathers, recognising the immense effort fathers put into their children's well-being and future. He also urged the fathers to allow their children to cultivate independence, even amidst changing family dynamics and societal shifts. Emphasising the importance of self-reliance, he stated, "If children are dependent, they are handicapped," highlighting that true learning stems from individual effort, which ensures long-lasting and sustainable growth.

Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao also delivered an inspiring address, emphasising the crucial role fathers play

in shaping their children's academic and emotional journeys. She highlighted how paternal involvement contributes to children's academic success, emotional well-being, and social confidence, underscoring that events like these create lasting memories while strengthening the vital bond between home and school.

Representing the fathers, Physician Dr. Bipendra Dhoj Kulung Rai expressed gratitude to school for nurturing students with moral values alongside academics. He praised the initiative of teaching children to appreciate their fathers and expressed hope for the continuation of such programmes in future.

Similarly, Army Officer Mr. Deepak Adhikari shared his thoughts on the transformative impact of technology on education across generations. He emphasised that while learning methods have evolved, the foundational principles of success—hard work, discipline, and dedication—remain unchanged. He encouraged the students to embrace technology as a powerful tool for learning, in alignment to the demands of the modern era.

Adding to the celebratory atmosphere, students from the Music Department performed heartwarming songs dedicated to fathers, making the occasion even more special. The event served as a touching platform where stories, lessons, and inspiration were exchanged, strengthening familial bonds, motivating the younger generation to work towards a brighter future.

## DAV Students Made '5<sup>th</sup> Bharat Ko Janiye' Quiz a Grand Success

The senior students from DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati School, Jawalakhel, Lalitpur, Nepal, enthusiastically participated in the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of "Bharat Ko Janiye Quiz" from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024. This prestigious event was organised by the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India.

Approximately 500 students from Grades IX to XII (CBSE) took part in the online quiz, which generated excitement among participants due to its unique incentive: an opportunity to explore India for two weeks.

Before the quiz contest, Senior School Co-ordinator, Mr. Tank Meghji Devji delivered a brief presentation, highlighting the



quiz's objective of enriching participants' knowledge and understanding of India. The students were also encouraged to download and print their 'Certificate of Participation' from the "5<sup>th</sup> Bharat Ko

Janiye Quiz portal" and add them to their 2024/25 portfolio files.

Open to Indian citizens and Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) aged 15 to 50; the quiz was successfully facilitated at DAV by Senior School Activity In-Charge Mr. Tankanath Ghimire, Computer Department Head Mr. Tejendra Paudyal, and other dedicated teachers from the Computer Department.

The enthusiastic participation of DAV students made the event a resounding success, reflecting their curiosity and eagerness to connect with India's rich heritage.

## Family Jamboree of Grade II

The much-anticipated musical extravaganza of Grade II for the academic session 2024/25 was held at Buddha Hall on 24<sup>th</sup> December.

The event began with a warm welcome extended by the Principal, Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, to the Patron of DAV School, Shree Anil Kedia, the special guest Mr. Ram Bahadur Thapa, and the esteemed parents and guardians in attendance. Vice-Principal, Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, and CAO, Ms. Vijaya Tater, were also in attendance to honour and welcome the distinguished guests and invited parents. Following this, the ceremonial lamp was lit, symbolising the beginning of the programme accompanied by a heartfelt rendition of the National Anthem.

The students delivered a vibrant array of performances, including the English song "I Can Learn", a semi-classical dance, an Afro dance, a Nepali cultural dance, a skit depicting the Nativity of Christ, the Hindi song "Lakdi Ki Kathi", and an energetic Bollywood dance.

The parents were thrilled with their children's performances, enthusiastically cheering them and providing encouragement. The creativity and talent displayed on the stage reflected the meticulous preparation under the guidance of Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, who was deeply pleased with students' efforts during rehearsals.



The Family Jamboree Programme, conceptualized by the Principal, stands as a unique cultural initiative among schools worldwide. Adding to the lively atmosphere, some enthusiastic parents participated in a fun-filled game-competition, which brought an extra touch of excitement and elegance to the event. Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia, along with the Principal, Vice-Principal, and CAO, presented prizes to the winners immediately after the competition. In addition, some parents from Grade I were invited to evaluate students' performances of the day.

The event was hosted by Ms Anusha Rana, who opened the programme, while Ms. Laden Lama and Ms. Ashmita Khadgi served as the primary anchors. Ms. Kalpana Bhatta led the parents' game

segment with a great enthusiasm.

The programme was graced by the presence of the SSO, wing coordinators (from kindergarten to senior school), the HR manager, heads of departments, and teachers from across the school. Together, they extended their hospitality to the distinguished guests and invited parents and guardians.

The Family Jamboree concluded with resounding success, and heartfelt gratitude was expressed to all those who contributed directly or indirectly to the event's success.

## DAVSKVB Students Excel at Inter-School Art Olympiad



Twelve talented students from DAVSKVB School showcased their exceptional artistic abilities at the Inter-School Art Olympiad 2024, organised by Pidilite Industries, Mumbai, India.

As per the results, in the Acron Painting Competition (Category B), Kaushik Poria of Grade VI 'H' secured the First Position, while Aayushika Bhattcharya of Grade VI 'I' and Hitanshi Sah of Grade VI 'H' claimed the Second and Third Positions, respectively.

Similarly, in the Mould It - Clay Competition (Category C), Sakshi Gupta of Grade VIII 'G' earned the First Position, followed by Seema Thakur of Grade VII 'H' and Aarohi Thapa of Grade VIII 'E', who achieved the Second and Third Positions, respectively.

Likewise, in the Mould It - Bottle Art Competition, Sanup Prajapati of Grade X 'D' emerged as the First Position winner. Hitesha Shakya of Grade X 'B' and Manmahi Kaur of Grade X 'H' secured the Second and Third Positions, respectively.

Additionally, three students from the Junior School were honoured in the Junior School Assembly.

On behalf of School Management, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal congratulated and honoured all the winners, extending his best wishes for their future endeavours.

## Sanskritik Pahiran Diwas and Cultural Food Day at DAV Kindergarten



DAV Kindergarten School celebrated Sanskritik Pahiran Diwas (Cultural Dress Day) and Cultural Food Day with great joy on December 27.

The tiny toddlers and teachers were dressed up in traditional clothes, showcasing the rich culture of Nepal. The school was filled with bright colours and happy smiles.

Everyone enjoyed tasting delicious foods from different regions of Nepal. It was a fun way to learn about the country's traditions and flavours. The event helped tiny kids to understand and respect their cultural heritage while having a memorable day at school.



## Educational Tour of Grade IX to Bandipur and Kurintar



A total of 59 interested students of Grade IX embarked on an educational tour to Bandipur and Kurintar from 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

The students were accompanied by Mr. Tank Meghji Devji, Senior School Co-ordinator, Mr. Narayan Khatiwada, IX and X SEE In-charge and Ms. Kamana Adhikari, a Senior School Teacher and Middle School Teacher Ms. Sharana Shrestha, who guided them throughout the trip.

The journey began on 28<sup>th</sup> December with a road trip from Kathmandu to the “Queen of

Hills,” Bandipur. Upon arrival, the students explored Bandipur Bazaar, temples, historical and cultural monuments, and Tundikhel. They also visited a temple atop a hill, enjoying its scenic beauty. The day ended with an exciting campfire, creating a memorable evening for everyone.

On 29<sup>th</sup> December, the students witnessed a stunning sunrise view before visiting Boudha Gumba. The day also included an adventurous hike to Siddha Gufa, the largest cave in Nepal and the second largest in Asia. After the thrilling exploration of the

cave, the group traveled to Kurintar and stayed at Kurintar Villa, where they rested after a fulfilling day.

The final day, 30<sup>th</sup> December, featured a hike to observe the confluence of Budhi Gandaki and Trishuli rivers. The students enjoyed lunch amidst nature before returning to Kathmandu, concluding the enriching three-day tour.

The educational tour offered the students an excellent opportunity to explore Nepal’s natural beauty, historical landmarks, and cultural heritage, leaving them with unforgettable memories and a deeper appreciation for their country’s treasures.

## Educational Tour of Grade X-SEE to Pokhara Valley



A total of 151 enthusiastic students from Grade X-SEE participated in a four-day educational tour to Pokhara Valley from 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> December 2024. The students were accompanied by Grade IX and X-SEE In-charge, Mr. Narayan Khatiwada, Senior School Activity In-charge, Mr. Tanka Nath Ghimire and nine teachers.

According to Mr. Khatiwada, the students embarked on their journey to Pokhara on 25<sup>th</sup> December. On the first day, they visited Dhampus, where the local Mother’s Team warmly welcomed them. In the evening, the students enjoyed the traditional Gurung cultural programme in Dhampus, offering a glimpse into the rich heritage of the region.

The second day began with a hike to the Australian Base Camp, where the students admired the breathtaking sunrise views. This was followed by visits to Bindabasini Temple,

Pumdikot for Shiva Darshan, and Shanti Stupa. Later that evening, the group returned to Lakeside, enjoying the scenic beauty of Pokhara.

On the third day, the students explored several iconic sites, including Devi’s Fall, Gupteshwor Mahadev Cave, the International Mountain Museum, Mahendra Gufa, Chamere Gufa, and KI Singh Bridge. The day concluded with a lively cultural programme at Lakeside, adding a joyful and memorable touch to the experience.

The final day of the tour featured boating on Fewa Lake and a visit to the Tal Barahi Temple, offering a peaceful and serene conclusion to the trip.

Overall, the Grade X Pokhara Tour left the students with cherished memories and a deep appreciation for the natural and cultural wonders of the valley, inspiring them to revisit in the future.

This educational tour is an annual programme for Grade X and remains one of the most eagerly anticipated events for students who enjoy travelling and learning. Beyond the Pokhara tour, DAV School organises educational tours to various parts of the country in each academic session. The school also offers international tours, including visits to the USA, Bangkok, Germany, France, Spain, and India, providing deserving and interested students with enriching opportunities at regular intervals.

## Field Visit to Bhaktapur Industrial Estate



On 23<sup>rd</sup> December, a total of thirty-four students from Grade IX associated with Fashion Designing subject embarked on an insightful field visit to Bhaktapur Industrial Estate. They were accompanied by Ms. Linda Gurung, their Fashion Designing teacher, and Er. Jonish Raj Lama, IT and Electronics teacher.

During the visit, the staff at the textile industry guided the students through various textile manufacturing plants, providing a brief introduction to the functions of each machine. It was inspiring to see students enthusiastically using this opportunity to ask their questions and deepen their understanding of textile and fashion design processes.

According to Ms. Linda Gurung, the primary objective of the visit was to equip the students with practical knowledge of the textile industry. Additionally, the students were fortunate to observe operations at several specialised manufacturing plants, including those for garment dyeing, pashmina, elastic fabrics, and zippers, making the visit educationally enriching.

## Grade XI CBSE Students Embark on an Exciting Tour to Pokhara and Jomsom



A total of 26 interested students of Grade XI CBSE embarked on a memorable tour to Pokhara and Jomsom from 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2024. The students were accompanied by Senior Science Teacher, Ms. Pratikshya Nepali, and Senior English Teacher, Ms. Anjel Tajpuria.

On the first day, the journey began with a scenic drive from Kathmandu to Beni. The second day was packed with sightseeing, starting with a visit to sacred Galeshwar Dham in the morning, followed by stunning Mahabir Jharana and a serene Dhumba Lake. The group stayed overnight at Jomsom.

The highlight of the third day was a trip to the revered Muktinath temple from Jomsom.

On the way, students enjoyed exploring the picturesque Marpha Village and captured memorable moments at the famous Selfie Dada. The day ended with a stay at Lete.

On the fourth day, the group traveled from Lete to Pokhara, where they enjoyed a delightful boat ride to visit Tal Barahi Temple, situated on an island in Fewa Lake.

The final day marked the return journey from Pokhara to Kathmandu, concluding the enriching and adventurous five-day tour. The trip provided students with a wonderful opportunity to explore Nepal's natural beauty and cultural heritage while creating cherished memories with friends and teachers.

## X CBSE Explore the Natural and Cultural Wonders of Pokhara Valley



A group of 53 enthusiastic Grade X CBSE students embarked on an educational tour to the scenic Pokhara Valley from 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> December 2024. This enriching and enjoyable trip was designed to provide unique learning opportunities by immersing students in the natural beauty and cultural heritage of the region. The students were accompanied by Senior School Officer, Mr. Prashant Samal, and five teachers.

According to Ms. Anusha Rana, the Junior School Activity In-Charge, the journey began on 27<sup>th</sup> December. On the first day, the students travelled to Dhampus, where they enjoyed a campfire, setting the tone for an adventurous experience.

The second day commenced with an early morning trek to the Australian Base Camp, offering the students breathtaking views of a picturesque sunrise. They continued their exploration by visiting the Bindabasini Temple, followed by a serene boating experience on Fewa Lake to reach the Tal Barahi Temple. Later, the group visited Pumdikot for Shiva Darshan and the Peace Pagoda (Shanti Stupa) before returning to Lakeside in the evening.

Day three was packed with visits to several iconic sites, including Devi's Fall, Gupteshwor Mahadev Cave, the International Mountain Museum, Mahendra Cave, Chamero (Bat) Cave, and the KI Singh Bridge. The students also enjoyed the vibrant street festival at Lakeside and ended the day with a lively dance party at the hotel.

On the final day, the students had breakfast by the lakeside before departing for Kathmandu, marking the end of a memorable journey.

The success of this tour highlights DAV's commitment to holistic education, extending beyond textbooks and classrooms. Such experiences foster effective learning, personal growth, and critical thinking while deepening students' cultural and historical understanding.

## Visit to Chitwan National Park



A total of ninety interested students from Grade VIII toured to Chitwan National Park from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> December, 2024. The students departed for Chitwan National Park on December 24.

Upon reaching the National Park, the students were taken for Jeep Safari where every one of them observed and learnt the behaviour of wild animals in the jungle. Similarly, they also visited crocodile conservation area and elephant breeding

center. Some of them collected information of crocodile conservation and elephant breeding center from the concerned authorities.

The students were then taken to Wildlife Museum and participated in the Tharu Cultural Programme in the evening. They also enjoyed a picturesque sunset view from Rapti river dam.

The students during their National Park visit stayed at Hotel Parkland, Sauraha. They were accompanied by Middle School Co-ordinator Mr. Krishna Joshi and middle school teachers - Mr. T N Bhujel, Mr. Ganesh Poudel, Ms. Samita Raut, Ms. Bipana Karki and Ms. Pratima Adhikari.

The tour was facilitated by Discovery Tours and Travels, Lazimpat, Kathmandu.





Achievers of People Respecting Others (PRO) Award of Grade I to XII



Achievers of Read to the Principal Award of Grade II to XII.



DAV students showcasing their talents on the World Hindi Day at the Embassy of India, Kathmandu.



Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia addressing the inauguration ceremony of the Indo-Nepal T-20 Cricket Academy Tournament.



Family Jamboree – Grade IX.



Family Jamboree – Grade II.



Bicentenary celebration of Swami Dayananda Saraswati.



Cultural Extravaganza of Grades XI and XII.





Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, and esteemed guests participating in the Souper Bowl Food Donation Programme.



Kedia family members capturing memorable moments of Sa gha Da with senior Bhates.



Muffins with Mothers – Senior School.



Family Jamboree of Grade VI



Graduation Day – DAV Kindergarten.



Chief Guest Mr. Laxmi Prasad Gupta, an ISO Auditor, honouring a UKG graduate in the presence of School Authorities.



Souper Bowl Food Donation Programme 2024/25.



DAV team showcasing their talent at the Inter-School Ghazal Singing Competition.





Class X CBSE students posing for a group photograph during the Good Luck Hawan.



DAV students as spectators at the final match of the Indo-Nepal T-20 Cricket Academy Tournament.



Celebrating the 58th birth anniversary of late Sushil Kedia



Family Jamboree – Grade III.



Junior School students singing a heartfelt song on Fathers' Day.



Doughnuts with Dad – Middle School.



Deusi Bhailo Competition – Middle School.



Farewell Ceremony for the 20th Batch of Grade XII.





Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia presenting Annual Excellence Award at the Annual Day Celebration.



The Principal and students posing for a group photograph at NASA, USA.



The Principal Dr. Bhupendra, teachers, and the students in the USA.



Bharatnatya dance performance by Grade VI students.



Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia and First Lady Shreemati Sunita Kedia being honoured at the 'Cookies with Chairman' programme at Hotel Vivanta.



Teachers' Gratitude Day – Middle School (Second Semester).



Winners and contestants of the Mr. and Miss DAV Contest posing with school authorities.



Teachers' Gratitude Day – Senior School (Second Semester).



## Internal Teachers' Training

The Human Resource Department, with the approval of the School Management, initiated a comprehensive internal Teachers' Training programme for the faculty of DAV School in December, 2024.

This initiative was designed to fulfill the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) requirement, which mandates that teachers complete 50 credit hours of professional training annually. Of these, 25 credit hours are dedicated to internal training, leveraging school's own resources. Faculty members are further encouraged to participate in online courses or workshops focusing on personal and professional development to meet the required hours. The remaining 25 credit hours are allocated for external training, facilitated by resource persons invited from outside the school.

### Internal Training Sessions

The internal training sessions were conducted department-wise, as outlined by HR Manager, Mr. Aashish Rai. The training for December session, 2024 were as follows:

**7<sup>th</sup> December 2024:** Teachers from English, Nepali, Hindi, and Commerce departments attended a five-hour training session, held from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The Heads of Departments (HODs) facilitated the sessions, with Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal contributing as a resource person for Nepali department.



**14<sup>th</sup> December 2024:** Faculty from Science, Social Studies, Health and Population Environment, and Physical Education departments participated in a similar session. These sessions were also led by the respective HODs.

**21<sup>st</sup> December 2024:** Teachers from Mathematics, Computer Science, Vocational Studies, Foreign Language, Art and Craft, Music, and Dance departments completed their five-hour training session facilitated by the respective HODs.

The training sessions were designed to address key areas, such as innovative teaching methodologies, stress management for both educators and students, and tackling diverse pedagogical challenges. Furthermore, the sessions incorporated interactive discussions, enabling feedback collection to identify and bridge gaps, ultimately improving teaching practices.

### External Training Plan

In addition to the internal programme, the school has scheduled external training sessions for January or February, 2025. These sessions will focus on school and career counseling, offering faculty valuable insights to further enhance their professional capabilities.

### Previous Initiatives

In alignment with CBSE standards, the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, had previously organised a series of workshops and training sessions from the beginning of the session. These sessions were tailored for teachers at various levels—Kindergarten, Junior School, Middle School, and Senior School—as well as for subject-specific groups and the entire teaching staff. These initiatives aimed to keep educators abreast of the latest teaching trends and methodologies required by the CBSE.

Similarly, the Education Department of Lalitpur Metropolitan City Office under the support of Ministry of Education had conducted additional teachers training sessions as mandated by the NEB.

## Friendly Match between DAV Cricket Academy and APF Women's Team



The cricket players of DAV Cricket Academy were given a valuable opportunity to hone their skills at Mulpani Cricket Ground on 2<sup>nd</sup> January. As part of their practice session, DAV team engaged in a friendly 25-over match against the APF Women's Team, fostering both competitive spirit and sportsmanship. As per the results, DAV won the match by 61 runs. DAV won

the toss, elected to bat first and scored 164/5 where Shreyash contributed 48 runs, Kamal scored 34 runs (unbeaten), Prashiddha secured 35 runs and Kritik scored 24 runs (unbeaten).

DAV team for this match comprised 12 enthusiastic players: Kritik Gyawali (captain), Kamal Bahadur Shahi, Prasiddha Jaishi, Bikesh Jaiswal, Aarush Jha, Shreyash Agrawal, Subrat Mallik, Mayank Jaiswal, Mahim Sakya, Keshav Agrawal, Kunjan Acharya, and Pratik Kushwaha. The students were guided and supported throughout the session by DAV School's Sports Teacher and Cricket Coach, Mr. Bhuneshwar Ram.

The objective of this event was to ensure a structured and encouraging environment for the budding cricketers.

## Musical Chair Competition



On 23<sup>rd</sup> December, the Kindergarten wing of DAVSKVB hosted an exciting Musical Chair Competition in school's premises. Students from Nursery, LKG, and UKG participated enthusiastically in the event.

The game began with the children standing in a circle around the chairs, with one fewer chair than the number of players. As the music started, the children walked around the circle, eagerly waiting for their chance to sit. To ensure fairness, the teacher controlling the music was blindfolded, unable to see who was closest to the chairs.

When the music stopped, the players rushed to find a chair, sparking a delightful frenzy. The judges paid close attention to ensure the safety of the little ones, mindful of the possibility of trips or falls. In each round, the player unable to secure a chair was eliminated, and one chair was removed, continuing the process until only one winner remained.

## 3-day Souper Bowl Food Donation Programme



Mother Teresa Social Service Club of DAV School successfully organised the Souper Bowl Food Donation Programme, a pioneering initiative in Nepal's schools, from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

The programme aimed at instilling values of care and compassion among the students while extending support to the local community. With the theme "Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love", the campaign saw enthusiastic participation from students, parents, and staff, who

generously donated non-perishable food items like beaten rice, rice, pulses and beans, flour/maida/suji, oil, sugar, biscuits/cookies, noodles/bhujiya/dalmoth, tea, spices/dry fruits etc.

The chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice-principal Mr. Ram Chandra Khanal and CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater along with all the members of School Management participated in the donation programme with the students and staff.

The charitable initiatives of DAVSKVB School were graced by the benign presence of Asha Singh C.J., Principal of Maryward School, Lubhu, Lalitpur, Advocate LIONS Adhyatma Subedi and Mr. Nim Prakash Singh Rathaur, Head of the Education Development and Co-ordination Unit, Lalitpur. Witnessing the donation efforts of the entire DAV community, the guests wholeheartedly praised the humanitarian spirit displayed by the students and staff. They also commended DAV School for its exemplary role as a socially responsible organisation.

Over the three days, the collected items were distributed to various organisations, including Mary Ward School (Jhamshikhel and Lubhu branches), Manjushree Elderly Home at Dholahiti, the Rotary Club of Pashupati in Kathmandu, The Orphans Home at Tikhideval, and Ashraya Nepal at Bagdole.

The Souper Bowl Food Donation Programme is a biannual event organised by the Social Service Club of DAVSKVB since the inception of the school. The initiative embodies the club's mission to foster a culture of sharing and caring within the community, reflecting school's unwavering commitment to social responsibility.

## Muffins with Mothers, December

DAV School organised a widely cherished "Muffins with Mothers," programme inviting representative mothers from each section and class on December 6.

This special occasion, organised by the Parental Involvement Team, celebrated the invaluable role of mothers in life.

The event was honoured by the gracious presence of the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, alongside Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, SSO, Wing Co-ordinators, HR and HoDs. The mothers were warmly welcomed and also participated in a one-period interactive session in classrooms, engaging with students and educators alike.

In her opening remarks, the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao extended a warm welcome to all the mothers. The Principal highlighted the critical role mothers play in their children's lives, urging students to show their deep respect and gratitude towards their mothers. The Principal also underlined the importance of holistic learning, encouraging students to strive to become compassionate and responsible



individuals with the support of both their parents and the school.

In the same trait, Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the mothers for gracing the event despite their busy schedules.

On behalf of all the invited mothers, Ms. Kshitiz Acharya and Ms. Dipika Pandey Joshi, shared inspiring words during the event, urging students to value their parents and school. They praised DAV's commitment

to embedding family values and moral education in learning and expressed their hope for the continuation in future.

Adding to the celebratory atmosphere, Music Department teachers and students from the Natikaji Music Club performed heartfelt songs dedicated to the mothers, creating a truly memorable experience. Each mother was honoured with a token of love and was treated to delicious muffins and snacks in school canteen.



## Nepal Premier League (NPL) and DAV Cricket Academy Collaborate to Promote NPL and Nepalese Cricket



The Nepal Premier League (NPL), 2024, partnered with the DAV Cricket Academy of DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati School, Jawalakhel, Lalitpur, to promote young talent through a special programme at the school premises on December 9, 2024.

As part of this promotional programme, Legendary cricketer, Marquee player, and Captain of the Kathmandu Gurkhas, Mr. Karan KC had an informative interaction session with DAV cricketers.

Mr. Karan KC shared his experience to the DAV batter, bowler and fielder in the net and fielding sessions. He was amazed with the talented cricketers of DAV where he motivated the students for upcoming days.

A total of 120 enthusiastic players from the DAV Cricket Academy, along with their coaching staff, actively participated in the event.

Expressing his delight, Mr. KC commended the remarkable talent and enthusiasm displayed by the DAV Cricketers and extended his best wishes for their future endeavours.

Representing the school management, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal and Head of the Department of Sports and Head Coach, Mr. Purnendu Ghosh warmly welcomed Mr. KC and the NPL officials, making the event a memorable and inspiring to all.

## Walking through the Memory Lane: A Parental Involvement Programme for Grade IV Students



'Walking through the Memory Lane', a parental involvement programme, was organised for Grade IV students in Jetavan Hall on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

A representative parent from each section actively participated and contributed to the programme. Dr. Manu Tamang (Section A), Dr. Subesh Chaudhary (Section B), Ms. Sangeeta Sharma Gurung (Section C), Ms. Kripa Dhakhwa (Section D), Mr. Pravakar Jha and Ms. Punam Jha (Section E), Ms. Ankita Sharma (Section F), Mr. Sushil Pandit (Section G), Ms. Luna Rijal (Section H), and Ms. Sabita Kandel Subedi (Section I) made presentation for the programme.

They shared heartfelt anecdotes from their children's childhood, emphasizing the crucial role of parents and schools in instilling the right culture and moral values. They also spoke about their personal struggles, both at home and abroad, to inspire and motivate the students.

In his closing remarks, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal extended his sincere gratitude to the parents for their thoughtful and bold presentations. He highlighted the importance of teaching students to embrace challenges in life and praised the programme for bridging the shared goals of home and school in imparting moral values and ethics.

According to Vice-principal, initiatives like 'Walking through the Memory Lane' make learning more relatable for students, helping them to grasp important life lessons effortlessly.

The parents equally expressed their appreciation for DAV School's commitment to fostering ethics and moral values alongside quality education. The programme was moderated by Ms. Prabha Chettri from Junior School, while Junior School Activity In-charge Ms. Anusha Rana and a team of teachers extended warm hospitality to all the invited parents. The audience for the event included students from sections IV 'E' and IV 'F'.

## Three Students from DAV Honoured with the Bal Ratna Award



Three students from DAV School received the prestigious Bal Ratna Award from the Indo-Nepal Samarasata Organization during a special ceremony held at the Russian Culture Center, Kathmandu, on 26<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

The honoured students were Omraj Jha (Grade X), Tejaswi Khadka (Grade VIII), and Kartik Joshi (Grade VIII). They were felicitated by the esteemed first former Vice President of Nepal, Shree Parmananda Jha, alongside other distinguished leaders from various fields. Each awardee received a Certificate of Appreciation, an award, and a medal in recognition of their achievements.

This recognition was a part of the Vaishwik Shanti Samarasata Sammelan, an initiative by the Indo-Nepal Samarasata Organization to celebrate hardworking, disciplined, and talented students across the nation in the honour of Mother Queen Ratnarajya Laxmi Devi Shah. DAV School family takes immense pride in the remarkable success of these students and extends heartfelt congratulations and best wishes for their future endeavours.

## Participation in Geeta Jayanti Celebration



A total of 80 students from Grade VII (CBSE) participated in the Geeta Jayanti Celebration at the Pashupatinath Temple premises on December 11, 2024.

The event, organised annually on 'Mokshada Ekadashi,' featured a recital of

the 'Geeta Path' by a team of Brahmins from Brindaban, India. Adding to the significance of the occasion, Nepali edition of the Geeta was released by Geeta Press, Banaipur.

All the students from DAV participated in the recitation of Geeta Path with the Brahmins and later each one of them were gifted a copy of the Geeta. They were also served prashad after the recital. Apart from DAV, six other schools from Kathmandu valley also participated in this educational initiative.

DAV students were accompanied by middle school teachers Ms. Indu Thakur, Mr. Nirajan Khatiwada, Mr. Sheetal Upadhyaya, Mr. Sudarshan Adhikari, Ms. Seema Regmi, and Mr. Chodamani Dahal.

## Outdoor Landscape Painting Competition



The Art and Craft Department, in collaboration with the Uttam-Kiran Art Club, organized an art event titled "Outdoor Landscape Painting Competition" at Kathmandu Durbar Square, Hanuman Dhoka on December 19.

A total of 34 students from Grade V to XII participated in the on-the-spot painting competition.

The students were accompanied by Head of Department, Mr. Raju Muni Bajracharya, and club-in-charge, Ms. Sameeta Maharjan, who guided them in landscape painting techniques, creating view cards, and more.

The participants thoroughly enjoyed the natural surroundings and were enthusiastic about expressing their creativity and skills through their on-the-spot artworks. The winners were honoured with the Certificate of Achievement soon.

## Walking Through the Memory Lane for Grade III Students



On December 17, some invited parents from Grade III participated in the 'Walking Through the Memory Lane' programme, organised by the Parental Involvement Team. The event provided an opportunity for parents to share cherished memories and life lessons with the young students, creating a meaningful and enriching experience.

The parents who actively contributed to the programme included Ms. Manisha Shakya (Section A), Ms. Anita Dhakal (Section B), Mr. Srijan Barmel (Section C), Ms. Jyoti Mishra (Section D), Dr. Sabindra Raj Bhandari (Section E), Ms. Shristy Jha (Section F), Ms. Meena Adhikari (Section G), and Ms. Pratibha Silwal (Section H). Each parent brought unique perspectives and stories to inspire and engage the students.

While many parents shared heartfelt reflections on the responsibilities of

motherhood and the valuable lessons they have passed on to their children, others narrated stories about Lord Gautam Buddha and the importance of peace. Some shared fascinating accounts of their travels to Japan and Dubai, while a few highlighted the significance of healthy eating and its impact on overall well-being.

The school believes that such programmes play a vital role in broadening students' minds and enhance their socialisation skills. The parents also expressed their appreciation for the initiative and encouraged the school to continue organising similar events in the future.

The event was graced by the presence of Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, and Junior School Activity In-Charge Ms. Anusha Rana, along with the dedicated Junior School teachers, who warmly welcomed

the parents and extended their sincere hospitality.

Addressing the gathering, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal noted that he was deeply touched by the parents' presentations and remarked that the behavioral and moral lessons students learn from their own parents are invaluable. He further noted that the day would leave a lasting impact on students' lives.

In his closing remarks, Vice-principal extended heartfelt gratitude to the parents for spending their invaluable time and energy to the school and expressed hope for continued collaboration in the future.

The programme was moderated by Ms. Prabha Chettri, and the audience included students from Grade III 'B' and 'C' sections, who got excitedly engaged throughout the event.



## 'Read to the Principal - 2024/25' (Grade IX to XII)



The final round of 'Read to the Principal - 2024/25' programme for Grade IX to XII students was held in the gracious presence of the contestants' parents in Jetavan Hall on December 17.

The event featured an engaging interaction between the finalists and the Principal, Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, who conducted interviews with each contestant. The judging panel comprised Mr. Ganesh Paudel and Ms. Jeevan Basnet from English Department.

The finalists who participated in the programme were Aashray Khatry (Grade IX 'D'), Khushboo Bhattarai (Grade IX 'A'), Sita andan Sharma (Grade IX 'D'), Widushee Bhatta (Grade X 'C'), Saurya Jha (Grade X 'G'), Megha Thakur (Grade X 'I'), Keshavi Somani (Grade XI 'B'), Twinkle Pandey (Grade XI 'D'), Nishant Mahato (Grade XI 'B'), Garima Bhagat (Grade XII 'B'), and Risinath Singh (Grade XII 'B'). Their participation in the final round was the culmination of a rigorous selection process, including several interviews conducted by the Library and English Department.

The event also welcomed DAV Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia, who showed his strong support for the reading culture promoted by the school. During the programme, he engaged with the contestants by asking questions, further enriching the intellectual atmosphere of the event.

***The Principal also encouraged creative thinking by exploring how the students could reimagine or add a twist to the stories/books they had read.***

The audience included students from Grades IX 'A' and 'B' as well as the junior and middle school finalists of 'Read to the Principal' programme. The contestants were asked questions about the books they had presented for the programme, focusing on their comprehension skills, reading styles, and ability to analyse the character, plot, setting, and ideologies within the books. The Principal also encouraged creative thinking by exploring how the students could reimagine or add a twist to the

stories/books they had read. Additionally, the contestants were asked to reflect on why they had chosen their particular books, adding a personal dimension to the discussion.

The Principal expressed great delight in interacting with the students and extended her best wishes for their future enhanced readings. She praised their thoughtful insights and encouraged them to continue developing their reading and critical thinking skills.

Representing the parents' community, Mr. Hari Krishna Bhattarai, father of Khushboo Bhattarai, shared his reflections on the programme. He remarked that attending the 'Read to the Principal' event was a unique learning experience for him and commended the students to explore diverse topics such as fiction, World War history, Stalin, the Mahabharata, and financial issues through their chosen books. He also encouraged the students to write articles for newspapers and magazines, emphasising the importance of sharing their knowledge with a wider audience.

The 'Read to the Principal' programme is an annual initiative organised by the Helen Keller Library Club. The event was supported by Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji, Senior School Activity In-charge Mr. Tankanath Ghimire, and Library Teacher Mr. Krishna Bhakta Maharjan, who ensured warm hospitality to parents and complete support to the contestants.

The programme's moderators included Pramisha Gurung (Grade XI 'A'), Vice President of the club, who delivered the welcome speech; Smarika Dhakal (Grade X 'C'), Secretary of the club, who gave the closing remarks; and Tania Agrawal (Grade XII 'D'), Club President, alongside Sneha Khandelwal, Executive Member, who anchored the event.

## Tiny Toddlers of DAV Kindergarten Participated in Poem Recitation Competition



DAV Kindergarten organised a fun and exciting Poem Recitation Competition on December 26.

Little poets from Nursery, LKG, and UKG confidently recited beautiful poems, impressing everyone with their talent. In the Nepali Poem Recitation category, the winners from Nursery were Aarush Karki (First), Akshdeep Chaudhary (Second), and Kairav Shakya (Third). From LKG, the top spots were secured by Kairavi Risal (First), Ashlesha Khadka (Second), and Prasiddhi Khatiwada (Third).

In UKG Nepali Poem Recitation Competition, Tenzing Kelsang won the

first place, followed by Anwesha Saud and Sharmin Karanjit in the second and third places respectively.

Similarly in Hindi Poem Recitation of UKG, Shivi Lakhota claimed the first place followed by Aksh Maheshwori and Rishaank Swami in the second and third places respectively. The competition celebrated language and creativity, making it a memorable event for all.

## Celebration of International Mother Language Day for Grade V and VI Students



An Inter-House Playlet Competition was organised on the occasion of International Mother Language Day in Jetavan Hall on 20<sup>th</sup> February.

The theme for the competition was "Mother language and Importance of Culture". Based on this theme, a team of six houses from Grade V and VI presented playlets on different topics like 'Remote Village vs Urban Life', 'Elderly Homes', and 'The Role of Family and Culture in Upbringing Children'.

The students showcased their exceptional acting and presentation skills. The judging criteria included content, enactment skills, linguistic accuracy, style, verbal expression, and costumes. The performance of the students was evaluated by the Middle School Activity In-Charge, Mr. Surchen Shah.

Addressing the gathering, Grade IX and X SEE In-Charge, Mr. Narayan Khatiwada, emphasised that the event aimed to promote respect and awareness

of different mother languages. He highlighted that a mother tongue is a valuable asset and a key part of a community's identity. Reflecting on the playlets, he remarked that schools play a vital role in imparting knowledge and skills, and commended all the teachers for organising such creative programme.

The United Nations declared 21<sup>st</sup> February as the International Mother Language Day in 1999. To mark this day, the students from Kindergarten to Senior School participated in various activities and competitions from 16<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025. These events were collectively organised by Nepali, Hindi, and Sanskrit Departments.

In the same trait, Middle School Activity In-charge praised the participants for delivering an impressive performance within a short preparation time.

As per the results, Mt. Dha Ig iri House secured first place, followed by Mt. Ma hhp uchhre House in second and Mt. Lhotse House in third positions respectively.

## Achievers of 'Fit in Deutsch', German Language Examination Honoured



The achievers of the 'Fit in Deutsch' German Language Examination, conducted by the Goethe Institute Thapathali, Kathmandu, on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024, were honoured during the morning assembly on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025. All the participants were students from Grade IX.

As per the results, Siddhant Jha secured the first place, while Amani Shah and Sakshyam Thapaliya shared the second place. Ruhan Mehar Bajracharya earned the third place. These students were presented with Certificates of Achievement.

Additionally, Sushant Shrestha, Siwani Rai, Anaya Singh, Samrid Khadka, Sashwot Bhatta, Guransh Limbu, Pratik Dhimal, Sambridhi Giri, and Deelasta Buddhacharya also achieved remarkable results and were similarly honoured with Certificates of Achievement.

Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, along with Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji, congratulated and honoured all the achievers, wishing them a bright future ahead. The results were announced by Senior School Activity In-charge Mr. Tankanath Ghimire.

## Celebration of Literature Day



Kabir Sahitya Samaj organised three distinct programmes to celebrate Literature Day for the Junior School students from 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

Students from Grades I to IV, associated with Kabir Sahitya Samaj, participated enthusiastically in Handwriting Competition, Poster-Making Competition, and Role-Play Activity. The competitions were judged by Hindi language teachers from Junior School.

According to Kabir Sahitya Samaj In-charge, Ms. Smriti Shrivastav, the competition aimed at helping students understand the importance of language, literature, and culture. The winners were selected section-wise and were honoured with Certificate of Achievement.



## DAV Students Shine at World Hindi Day Celebration



A group of 11 talented students from DAV School showcased their remarkable performances during the World Hindi Day celebration, organised by the Embassy of India at its premises in Lainchaur, Kathmandu on January 10.

The students mesmerised the audience of over 500 attendees with their exceptional Bharatnatyam dance skills, adding a vibrant touch to the celebration.

Their efforts received widespread admiration from the spectators. As a token of appreciation, all the participating students were awarded certificates of appreciation and trophies by the organisers.

The students who performed included Mona Mishra (VI 'B'), Samyukta Thapa (VI 'B'), Sadira Thapa (VI 'D'), Minoli Karki (VI 'G'), Arshiya Paudel (VI 'G'), Aarohi Devkota (VI 'E'), and Nidhi Das (VI 'I'). Additionally, Sakshi Shah, Chanchal Mohta, Riya Ambastha, and Sakshi Gupta from VIII 'G' were also part of the dance group.

The students were accompanied by the Head of the Hindi Department, Mr. Purushottam Pokharel, along with Ms. Indu Thakur, Ms. Binita Mandal, Ms. Anjana Raut and Ms. Pratikshya Ojha.

The event featured participation from CBSE schools across the Kathmandu Valley, further enhancing its cultural significance.

## Second Position in Inter-School Yogasana Competition



DAV School won second place in the 1<sup>st</sup> Inter-School Yogasana Competition, 2081. The event was organized by Rosemary Idol Bouding School, Tarkeshwor, Kathmandu. It took place on 29<sup>th</sup> January at host school's premises. A total of 19 schools from Kathmandu Valley participated in the competition.

The students from DAV took part in three age groups: under-11, under-14, and under-17. They performed very well and won several individual awards. In the under-11 boys' category, Shivam Yadav secured 1<sup>st</sup> place. In the under-14 boys' category, Satish Gupta won 2<sup>nd</sup> place, while in the under-14 girls' category, Navya Mohta won 2<sup>nd</sup> place. In the under-17 boys' category, Dev Gharti Maga secured 3<sup>rd</sup> place. In the under-17 girls' category, Leona Shrestha secured 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Because of these great performances, DAV School won the overall second position. They received the second place trophy and a token of appreciation. The winning students were also given medals and certificates to honour their efforts and skills in yogasana.

The competition was attended by Dr. Suryabhadur Karki from the Health Service (Yoga, Naturopathy, and Complementary Medicines) at the Nepal Yoga and Nature Cure Association, Nepal. Officials from Rosemary School were also present at the event.

DAV students were accompanied by yoga sports teachers - Ms. Sunita Pachkoti and Mr. Tshring Lama.

## Grade XI CBSE Students Visit Nepal SBI Bank at Jawalakhel



Students of Grade XI CBSE, Sections C and D, had the opportunity to visit Nepal SBI Bank, Jawalakhel, Lalitpur on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> December. The educational visit allowed the students to learn about banking

operations, financial services, and the role of banks in the economy.

During the visit, students were given a tour on bank's facilities, where they interacted with bank staffs and gained insights into the day-to-day functioning of the bank. The students were also introduced to the latest banking technologies and services provided by Nepal SBI Bank.

This hands-on learning experience was appreciated by both students and teachers, as it provided valuable practical knowledge beyond the classroom. The school plans to continue such educational visits in the future to broaden students' horizons.

## Good Luck Hawan for Grade X CBSE Students

The Sanskrit Department of DAV School organized a sacred Good Luck Hawan ceremony for Grade X CBSE students on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025 in Indu Hall.

The ritual was led by the Head of Sanskrit Department, Mr. Purushottam Rijal, and Sanskrit teacher, Mr. Niranjan Khatiwada, as the Pundits for the Hawan. Vice Principal, Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, served as the Yajaman. Teachers and students of Grade X actively participated in all the sacred rituals.

The Hawan commenced with the chanting of the Om Mantra and Gayatri Mantra, followed by Swasti Baachan, Agnay Daan, Shanti Path, and other Vedic rituals.

Speaking on the occasion, Pundit Purushottam Rijal emphasized that Hawan is one of the most significant human deeds and is conducted to invoke blessings during the important life events.

Addressing the gathering, Vice Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal highlighted the deep-rooted connection between Hawan, Maharishi Dayananda Saraswati, and DAV institution. He elaborated on its traditional and scientific significance and expressed gratitude to the teachers for organizing this auspicious event. He also advised students to fully utilize their exam preparation time



and wished them success in their upcoming Board exams.

In a similar vein, Nepali HoD Mr. Narayan Khatiwoda provided valuable exam preparation tips. Hindi HoD Mr. Purushottam Pokhrel, Social Studies HoD Mr. Aarti Sharma, and class teachers also extended their best wishes to the students.

The ceremony concluded with Aarati and devotional Bhajans. Each student received a certificate as a token of good luck for their Board examinations. The Vice Principal and

teachers blessed the students with tika and prasad, wishing them great success.

Prior to the Hawan, Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji addressed the students during the morning assembly. He provided essential information about the Board examinations and extended his best wishes for their examinations.

Following the Hawan, the students enjoyed a Good Luck Party at the school canteen, making the occasion even more memorable.

## Semi-final of Dancing Star of DAV



The semi-final of Dancing Star of DAV for the 2024/25 session took place in Buddha Hall on February 21<sup>st</sup> in the benign presence of Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal.

The event showcased a series of electrifying dance performances, representing a variety of genres. The competition was intense, with twelve talented contestants vying for a spot in the grand finale. After a series of captivating performances, six students successfully advanced to the final round.

The finalists who secured their place in the grand finale are Sanskriti Thapa from Grade VI 'D', Chanchal Mohta from Grade VIII 'G',

Garima Rasaily from Grade VI 'C', Ishani Mahat from Grade V 'G', Abhilipsa Mishra from Grade VI 'H', and Sadhvi Nakarmi from Grade VI 'E'. Each of them impressed the judges with their exceptional talent and stage presence.

The semi-final also featured remarkable performances from Kritika Lamsal (Grade V 'A'), Savya Ghimire (Grade V 'F'), Aarohi Bera (Grade V 'I'), Avni Agrawal (Grade V 'H'), Subina Khadka (Grade VII 'C'), Aarohi Gartaula (Grade VII 'C'), and Riya Ambastha (Grade VIII 'G'). Though they did not progress to the final round, their performances were commendable and added great energy to the event.

The judging panel consisted of esteemed dance teachers, Mr. Lizendra Maharjan and Ms. Sarita Khadka. The results were announced by Senior School Activity In-Charge, Mr. Tankanath Ghimire, who also delivered a brief motivational speech to inspire the participants. The moderators of the programme were Snigdha Adhikari and Hemakshi Agarwal from Grade IX.

Meanwhile, Mayur Basnet from Grade VI 'C' presented a melodious Nepali song 'Parelima' at the end of the event.

## Prasiddha won the Player of the Match Award in T-20 Cricket



Prasiddha Jaishi, a young cricketer from DAV School, won the Player of the Match award of the first match of Kathmandu District Selection T-20 Cricket Tournament. The tournament was held at Mulpani Cricket Ground on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

Playing for Baluwatar Cricket Club, Prasiddha scored 41 runs from 55 balls. Angels' Sports Academy set a target of 94 runs, which Baluwatar successfully chased in 18.5 overs, losing 4 wickets. Baluwatar Cricket Club won the match by 6 wickets.



## Inauguration of “DAFFEY” and the Indo-Nepal T-20 Cricket Academy Tournament



*The Principal underscored the day's historic significance, noting that the launch of both the mascot and the Indo-Nepal Cricket Academy Battles marked a proud moment for the school and the community.*

DAV School proudly unveiled the official costume of its beloved mascot, DAFHEY, during a grand ceremony held at the school premises on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2025. This momentous occasion coincided with the inauguration of the Indo-Nepal T-20 Cricket Academy Tournament.

The dual celebrations were graced by Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, and Vice-Principal Mr. Ramesh Chandra Khadka and CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater who officially launched DAFHEY and announced the upcoming cricket tournament. The Indo-Nepal T-20 Cricket Academy Tournament took place at the Mulpani Cricket Ground from 26<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2025.

Addressing the audience, Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia warmly welcomed DAFHEY as a new and cherished member of the DAV School family. He expressed his immense pride in introducing school's first mascot, a historic milestone for the

country. Highlighting the importance of sports in education, he emphasised how physical activities contribute to students' overall growth and promised to prioritise their health and intelligence through such initiatives. Furthermore, he announced exciting plans to transform school's main ground into a lush green space in the near future.

Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao also shared her enthusiasm, describing DAFHEY as an integral member of Sports Department. She underscored the day's historic significance, noting that the launch of both the mascot and the Indo-Nepal Cricket Academy Battles marked a proud moment for the school and the community.

As a part of the ceremony, DAFHEY was welcomed with traditional bouquets and khada by the Chairperson, Principal, Vice-Principal, and a group of student representatives. The students were thrilled to witness the much-anticipated reveal of DAFHEY's costume and enjoyed an entertaining live performance by the mascot. Excitement filled the air as they cheered, took photographs, and celebrated this memorable occasion.

The event was moderated by Ms. Asha Khadka, Head of the English Department, and Mr. Santosh Rai, a Middle School teacher, who also accompanied DAFHEY on its journey from New Delhi to Kathmandu.

## Yog Excursion at Hansada Ashram



On 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025, a group of 29 selected students from Grades V to XI participated in Yog Excursion at Hansada Yog Ashram, Janagal, Kavre. They were accompanied by Yoga and Sports Teachers, Ms. Sunita Pachkoti and Mr. Tshring Lama.

Upon arriving at the Ashram, the students visited the Samadhi Sthal of Swami Bisuddha Dev, where they paid their respects and prayed for the departed soul.

Following this, the students took part in yoga activities in the Ashram's Yog Hall. Swami Panchheel led the session with prayers and gave an insightful talk on the significance of yoga in daily life, emphasising the principles of Ashtanga Yoga. He also explained the meaning of "Hansada" and the concept of the soul, enriching students' understanding.

The programme included practical sessions of Pranayama and meditation, allowing the students to experience the calming and rejuvenating benefits of these practices.

The main aim of the excursion was to provide students with an opportunity to explore yoga and meditation while learning about the practices and lifestyle of the yoga ashram within their community.

The students expressed that the serene environment of the ashram, nestled in the forest, was refreshing. They also enjoyed the hiking experience, which added a memorable adventure to the excursion.

One of Swami Bisuddha's inspiring blessings, "Understanding in Brain, Responsibility in Shoulder, and Honesty in Heart," was shared with the students, leaving a profound message on becoming a righteous human being.

## First Indo-Nepal T-20 Cricket Academy Tournament Concluded with Grand Success

*Chasing 140 Runs, GHCA struggled to build strong partnerships and were bowled out for 105 in 19 overs.*



*Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia extending best wishes to all in the opening ceremony.*

The grand final of the Tip Top Indo-Nepal T-20 Academy Cricket Tournament featured an exhilarating contest on 31<sup>st</sup> January.

Tip Top DAV Cricket Academy emerged victorious, defeating Great Himalaya Cricket Academy (GHCA) by 34 runs. The tournament was inaugurated on 26<sup>th</sup> January by DAV Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia, and Vice-principal, Mr. Ramchandra Khanal. During the inauguration ceremony, Shree Kedia addressed young cricketers motivating each one of them to show sportsmanship on the ground and wished for the successful completion of the tournament.

The award ceremony was graced by the esteemed presence of Chief Guest, Mr. Roshan Singh, Vice-president of CAN, alongside Guests of Honour, Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao and Mr. Tank Meghji Devji. Special Guest, Mr. Madhab Karmacharya, Central Member of CAN, was also in attendance. Among the distinguished guests were - Mr. Bikash Sharma, proprietor of Tip Top, Mr. Mahesh Ghiraiya, proprietor of



Shivashakti Edumart, Mr. Sunil Gaggar, proprietor of MIKTM Beauty Care, and Mr. Kesav Parajuli, proprietor of Naulo Koseli.

The champions, Tip Top DAV Cricket Academy, were awarded a cash prize of NPR 50,000, along with the championship trophy, medals, and certificates of achievement. The runner-up team, Great Himalaya Cricket Academy, received a cash prize of NPR 25,000, along with the runner-up trophy, medals, and certificates. The Fair Play Award was presented to Bolpur Youth Town Club from West Bengal, India, in recognition of their exemplary sportsmanship.

Angels' Sports Academy, Pulsar Cec, and Nexus Cricket Academy also participated in the tournament, showcasing outstanding cricket skills. Individual awards were presented to deserving players from all the team during the final award ceremony.

As per the final match, Tip Top DAV Cricket Academy batted first and set a competitive target, scoring 139/6 in 20 overs. Shreyash Agrawal played a crucial innings, scoring 39 runs off 33 balls, while Prasanga Poudel contributed 33 runs from 29 balls. GHCA bowlers Samiya Sapkota (2/18) and Vansh Chhetri (2/24) delivered disciplined spells to restrict the opposition's total.

Chasing 140, GHCA struggled to build strong partnerships and were bowled out for 105 in 19 overs. Suprim

Sunar displayed resilience with a commendable knock of 61 runs from 49 balls, but a lack of support from the other batsmen led to their downfall. Tip Top DAV's bowling unit performed exceptionally well, with Prasiddha Jaishi claiming 3 wickets for 28 runs and Keshav Agrawal contributing with figures of 2/8. Prasiddha Jaishi's all-round brilliance earned him the Player of the Match award, securing Tip Top DAV's victory and the championship title.

During the award ceremony, Chief Guest, Mr. Roshan Singh, praised DAV School and all the cricket academies for their contributions to the development of cricket in Nepal. He also commended DAV Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia, and Principal, Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, for organizing such a prestigious event.

Likewise, Head of Sports, Mr Purnendu Ghosh, expressed sincere gratitude to DAV Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia, Principal, Dr Bhubaneswari Rao, and all collaborating partners, including Bagmati Television Pvt. Ltd, as well as everyone who played important role in making the tournament a tremendous success.

The tournament was organised by DAV School, powered by Shivashakti Edumart, with platinum sponsorship from MIKTM and support from Naulo Koseli, Gaccha, RJ Sports, Shiva Catering, and August.



## Ranking of DAV Taekwondo Academy Students



On December 22, 2024, the Nepal Taekwondo Association conducted the third round of physical tests to determine the rankings of Taekwondo students at the DAV Sports Academy. The evaluations were carried out by National-level Referee and 4<sup>th</sup> DAN Master Bachan Magar, who meticulously assessed students' performance.

A total of 27 students earned belts across various categories. Among the achievers, Aavash Moktan, Shreya Bajracharya, and Subham K.C. were awarded the Half Blue Belt, with Aavash Moktan receiving a double promotion to secure this rank.

Additionally, several students earned the Full Green Belt, which is the top rank in this session. These students included Satyartha Prakash Adhikari, Aaradhya Khadka, Asmina K.C., Avinamra Paudel, Tanishqa Shah, Shreashri Manandhar, Sazasu Dahal, Avash Maharjan, Nikita Thakur, Jhalak Regmi, and Saguna Banjara.

The Half Green Belt was awarded to Angsuk Lama, Pragya Siwakoti, Prayan Siwakoti, Nhujala Shrestha, Arya Pradhanang, Sherolene Rana Magar, Kyozen Tamang, and Dhurba Maity. Meanwhile, Yellow Belts were presented to Maruti Jha, Joyal Thatal, Suruchi Thakur, Reyansh Thapa Magar, and Sarthak Pokharel.

On behalf of DAV Sports Academy, the Head of Department (HoD), Mr. Purnendu Ghosh, expressed sincere gratitude to Nepal Taekwondo Association for recognising students' dedication and providing them with a platform to excel in martial arts. He also acknowledged the invaluable contributions of the coaches—Ms. Ranju Tamang, Ms. Ashmita Tamang, and Mr. Hem Raj Shahi—for their unwavering support and guidance in students' success. Mr. Ghosh encouraged the students to continue their journey in sports and congratulated all those who achieved new ranks.

## Participation in the International Education Day Celebration



On January 24, a total of 63 students from Grade VII (Sections A and I) participated in the International Education Day celebration programme organised by the Community Police Service Centre, Sanepa, Lalitpur. The event brought together students from 11 schools across Wards 4, 5, and 6 of Lalitpur Metropolitan City and was hosted at Radiant Readers Academy, Sanepa, Lalitpur.

The programme featured a keynote address by DIG Mr. Shyam Lal Tamang from the Ranipokhari Police Office, who introduced Nepal Police's "Police School Partnership" programme designed for school students. Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal was also invited as a special guest in the programme. Adding to the event's educational value, police personnel from Nepal Police School presented a short musical drama focusing on critical issues such as drug abuse, cybercrime, and gender inequality. The drama was complemented by awareness-generating songs and dance performances by the Nepal Police School artists.

## Participation in 'Pariksha Pe Charcha' Competition



The students from Grades VIII to XII CBSE actively participated in the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the Pariksha Pe Charcha Competition, 2024/25 from 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> January, hosted on the MyGov Innovate platform.

As a part of this initiative, students submitted their queries to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi. The platform was also open to all, allowing all the educators and parents to share their inputs and queries digitally.

The winners of the competition earned the privilege of directly participating in the Pariksha Pe Charcha event alongside the Prime Minister. Each winner received a specially designed Certificate of Appreciation.

Additionally, a selected group of winners had the unique opportunity to personally interact with the Prime Minister and pose their questions. These special winners also presented with a digital souvenir, featuring their autographed photograph alongside the

Prime Minister. Furthermore, all winners were awarded a Special Pariksha Pe Charcha Kit.

Pariksha Pe Charcha is part of the broader "Exam Warriors" movement, led by Prime Minister Modi, which aims to create a stress-free environment for young learners. The "Exam Warriors" module on the NaMo App incorporates interactive technology to share key messages from the Prime Minister's book, Exam Warriors, promoting essential values and strategies for students.

This initiative brings together students, parents, teachers, and the wider community to celebrate and nurture the individuality of each child, fostering an atmosphere where their unique potential could flourish.

## Farewell Ceremony to the 20<sup>th</sup> Batch of Grade XII



The much-anticipated farewell ceremony to the 20<sup>th</sup> batch of Grade XII was celebrated with grandeur at The Soaltee Hotel, Kathmandu, on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025.

The event was graced by Chief Guest Prof. Dr. Bal Chandra Luitel, Dean of Kathmandu University, School of Education, along with Special Guests Mr. Vikas Anand, Chief Operating Officer of Nepal SBI Bank, and Mr. Tej Thapa, Manager of SBI Bank, New Road. Their presence added elegance and joy to the occasion.

Dr. Luitel expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the school management for the invitation to such a momentous event and extended his congratulations to the students on successfully completing Grade XII.

Addressing the gathering, the Principal described Farewell Day as one of mixed

emotions—sorrowful as students part ways with the school yet joyous as they embark on new journeys with confidence and determination. She fondly recalled the cherished memories shared with the 2024/25 batch, acknowledging their unique talents and contributions in academic and co-curricular activities. She encouraged them to uphold their values and continue striving for excellence.

The Principal emphasized that students' time at the school had been one of transformation, growth, and achievement. She believed that each student had created their own legacy within the school and that their presence would be deeply missed. Commending their hard work, sincerity, and dedication, she urged them to believe in themselves, remain focused, and approach future challenges with the same zeal they had displayed throughout their years

at DAV. She reassured them that the school would always remain their second home, ready to celebrate their successes and support them in times of need. With confidence in their potential, she expressed her belief that DAV students would not only shape their own futures but also make a meaningful impact on society and the world.

The program commenced with customary rituals, followed by a welcome speech and song by Grade XI students. The event featured blessings from the Principal and Chief Guest, a speech by the Head Girl, a memento distribution for Grade XII students, and vibrant performances, including dance sequences by Grade XI Commerce and Science. The Mr. and Miss DAV 2024/25 contest added excitement to the celebration, along with the recognition of students who had been with DAV since Kindergarten or Grade I. Special recognition certificates were also awarded to the Head Boy, Head Girl, Sports Captain, and Cultural Captain.

In the same trait, Grade XII students presented their own stage performances and screened a documentary capturing their journey at DAV. The ceremony concluded with the announcement of Mr. and Miss DAV 2024/25, a heartfelt thank-you note from Grade XII students, and a celebratory cake-cutting. The event was skillfully moderated by Paridhi Bagaria (XI 'D') and Hamdaan Khan (XI 'A').

Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, SSO Mr. Prashant Samal, Senior School Coordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji, Human Resource Manager Mr. Aashis Rai, along with co-ordinators from all wings and Senior School teachers, were also present to support the farewell ceremony.

## Ananya and Meghna Crowned with Mr. and Miss DAV Title-2024/25



Ananya Jha from Grade XII 'A' and Meghna Pant from Grade XII 'C' were crowned Mr. and Miss DAV for the 2024/25 session during the farewell ceremony held at The Soaltee Hotel on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025.

Mr. DAV, Ananya Jha, was presented with a traditional Nepali Topi, a Khada, and gift

hampers, while Miss DAV, Meghna Pant, received a crown, a Khada, and gift hampers. The nominees for the Mr. DAV title included Ananya Jha (Grade XII 'A'), Sujal Shah (Grade XII 'B'), Utkarsh Tiwari (Grade XII 'C'), Mrigank SJB Rana (Grade XII 'D'), and Harsh Joshi (Grade XII 'E'). Likewise, the nominees for Miss DAV were Vanshika Agrawal (Grade XII 'A'), Nandani Rai (Grade XII 'B'), Meghna Pant (Grade XII 'C'), Kashvi Agrawal (Grade XII 'D'), and Avishi Shailej Teri (Grade XII 'E').

The judging panel consisted of Junior School Co-ordinator, Mr. Andrew Fitz Patrick, Kindergarten Coordinator, Ms. Shanti Gurung, and Dance HoD, Ms. Srijana Shrestha. The winners were officially announced by The Middle School Co-ordinator Mr. Krishna Joshi.

Additionally, a group of nine students who showcased outstanding performance during the Grade XII Boot Camp at Ratnagiri Resort, Nagarkot, were recognized with special prizes. These students were awarded a book, a Certificate of Achievement, and a Dairy Milk chocolate by the distinguished guests. The winners included K Krishant Gurung (Best Volunteer), Naveen Bashyal Sharma (Best Dressed), Suyesh Naulakha (Most Responsible), Shivam Jain (Most Cooperative), Trishna Bansal (Most Enthusiastic), Rishi Nath Kumar Singh (Best Participation), Keepa Maharjan (Most Sociable), Sonali Jaiswal (Most Disciplined), and Jiya Ambastha (Most Punctual).



## DAV Creates History: Wins Prestigious Sainik Cricket Cup after 14 Years of Sainik Team Dominance

DAV registered a historic win in the 16<sup>th</sup> Chief of Army Staff Inter-School T-20 Cricket Cup, ending the 14-year dominance of the Sainik team. In the final match, held on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025, DAV defeated Nepal Police School, Sanga, Kavre by 60 runs.

Batting first, DAV posted a competitive total of 151 for 6 in 20 overs. Key contributions came from Farhan Ansari (33 runs), Kamal Shahi (32 runs), and Bikesh Kumar Jaiswal (22 runs), setting a challenging target for their opponents. In response, Nepal Police School struggled under pressure and was bowled out for just 91 runs in 17.5 overs. Shashank Jha delivered a stellar bowling performance, taking 4 wickets for 20 runs, earning him the Man of the Match title.

The tournament also recognized outstanding individual performances. Prasiddha Jaishi received multiple accolades, including Best Fielder, Best Batter, and Man of the Series. Meanwhile, the Best Coach award was presented to Durgesh Thapa Chhetri for his leadership in guiding the team to victory.

The final match was witnessed by DAV Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, and Sports HoD



Mr. Purnendu Ghosh. Former captains of the DAV Cricket Team—Mr. Aashutosh Ghiraiya, Rajat Prashad, Ashish Jha, and Piyush Shah—were also present to witness the momentous occasion.

Following their victory, the team returned their home and shared their success with the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, who extended heartfelt congratulations and

wished them continued success in their future endeavours.

The Inter-School Sainik Cup is regarded as the most prestigious school-level cricket tournament in the Kathmandu Valley. Along with the championship title, individual awards, trophies and certificate, and the DAV team was awarded a cash prize of 1 lakh.

### DAV Won the Champion's Trophy of 2<sup>nd</sup> Brouno Memorial Inter-School Cricket Tournament



DAV won the champion's trophy of 2<sup>nd</sup> Brouno Memorial Inter-School Cricket Tournament organised by St. Xavier's School, Jawalakhel on 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.

In the final, DAV defeated Galaxy School. According to Mr. Purnendu Ghosh, Head of the Physical Education and Sports Department, Galaxy Public School won the toss and chose to bat first, setting a target of 61 runs. DAV chased down the target in 5.3 overs.

Prasiddha Jaishi, a Grade IX student, delivered an outstanding performance

throughout the tournament. He was named both the Man of the Match for the final, best batter award and the player of the series.

In addition, Bikesh Jaiswal, a Grade VI student, was awarded the Best Wicketkeeper Award.

This triumph adds to DAV's back-to-back victory in Inter-School Cricket Tournaments held recently in the capital. Just days earlier, DAV claimed victory in Indo-Nepal T-20 Cricket Academy Tournament 2025, held at the international cricket ground in Mulpani, Kathmandu.

### DAV Yoga Sports Teacher Mr. Lama Won the Second Position in 6<sup>th</sup> National Yoga Sports Championship



Mr. Ang Tshering Lama, a Yoga Sports Teacher of DAV School won the second position at the 6<sup>th</sup> National Yoga Sports Championship organised by Nepal Yoga Sports Association on February 22.

He had participated in the championship representing Kathmandu district. Similarly, our four talented yoga learners Shibham Yadav, Shatish Gupta, Raina Shrestha and Leona Shrestha also demonstrated their brilliant yoga skills and collected appreciations from both the organizer and spectators.



## Educational Excursion of Grade VI to Chitlang



On 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025, a group of 95 enthusiastic Grade VI students embarked on an enriching and adventurous educational excursion to Chitlang, marking a memorable milestone in their academic journey.

The primary objective of the trip was to provide students with hands-on learning experiences, fostering a deeper appreciation for nature, culture, and teamwork. Led by dedicated teachers and accompanied by experienced guides, the young explorers immersed themselves in the scenic beauty and cultural heritage of Chitlang.

The itinerary included visits to local villages, boating at the Kulekhani Dam, and insightful

tours of goat cheese farms, pears farm, and organic resorts. The students had the unique opportunity to observe the traditional lifestyle of Chitlang's residents, gaining valuable insights into local customs and practices. Stepping beyond the classroom, they engaged with real-world learning, making the journey both educational and inspiring.

The students were accompanied by IX and X SEE In-charge, Mr. Narayan Khatiwada, along with middle school teachers—Mr. Aakash Bishwokarma, Mr. Binod Shrestha, Ms. Sharana Shrestha, Ms. Saguna Kasaju Shrestha, Ms. Pratikshya Ojha, and Ms. Sita Niraula—who ensured a safe and meaningful experience for the students.

## Educational Excursion to Panauti Diamond Hill Resort



Grade V students embarked on a memorable educational excursion to the scenic Panauti Diamond Hill Resort on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2025. A total of 98 students and seven interested teachers participated in this enriching journey.

The excursion was designed to provide students with a unique learning experience, allowing them to explore the rich cultural heritage and natural beauty of Panauti. As part of their exploration, students visited Namobuddha, Om Aaditya Dham, and Tamang village, gaining valuable insights into local traditions and history.

The resort itself offered a harmonious mix of modern amenities and serene landscapes, creating an ideal environment for both learning and recreation.

The students were accompanied by Senior School Activity In-charge, Mr. Tankanath Ghimire, along with Middle School Teachers Mr. Ganesh Paudel, Mr. Saroj Adhikari, Ms. Shreejana Rana, Ms. Deepa Maharjan, Ms. Sushma Lamsal, and Ms. Shanti Ranabhat.

## Educational Excursion to Mulkot, Sindhuli



A total of 88 interested students from Grade VII embarked on an insightful educational excursion to Mulkot, Sindhuli on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025. This excursion was designed to offer students a unique opportunity to experience the local culture, environment, and hospitality industry firsthand.

The excursion was thoughtfully organised by the school's administration. Kwalty Beach Resort, located in the heart of Mulkot, provided the perfect backdrop for this educational journey, offering a blend of natural beauty and cultural immersion.

Throughout the excursion, students had the chance to explore the scenic

landscapes of Mulkot while gaining insights into the local customs and traditions. They visited key locations such as the Majhi community village, Mirror Temple, and Sahid Park, and enjoyed activities like a village hike. The students also had the chance to enjoy on the sandy beaches of the Sunkoshi River, savouring local delicacies and spending quality time with friends and teachers.

The group was accompanied by Middle School Co-ordinator Mr. Krishna Joshi, along with teachers Ms. Renu B.C., Ms. Bipana Karki, Ms. Samita Raut, Ms. Indu Thakur, Mr. Arjun Gurung, and Mr. Chudamani Dahal. The hospitality at Kwalty Beach Resort was exceptional, and the students left with fond memories of a truly remarkable experience.



## Prof. Dr. Sharma, Chairperson, and Principal Lead Discourse on Swami Dayananda Saraswati

*Prof. Dr. Sharma discussed the emphasis placed by Swami Ji on equal education for both boys and girls before marriage, reinforcing the progressive vision of the Vedic tradition.*

Paying homage to Maharshi Dayananda Saraswati, founder of the DAV School of Thought, Prof. Dr. Krishna Chandra Sharma- Central Department of English, Tribhuvan University, along with Shree Anil Kedia, Chairperson of DAV School and College, and Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Principal of DAV, served as resource persons in a discourse on Swami Dayananda Saraswati.

The discourse was held on the auspicious occasion of Swami Dayananda Saraswati's Bicentenary Celebration at DAV School on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025. The event was attended by students and teachers from Grades VII and VIII, along with representative parents and Vedic knowledge seekers from the capital.

Prof. Dr. Sharma paid tribute to Swami Dayananda Saraswati, emphasizing the profound honour of engaging in such an enlightening session. He chanted the Omkar Mantra, highlighting its significance as the initiating sound of every Vedic mantra and as a sacred representation of divinity. He elaborated on Swami Dayananda Saraswati's advocacy for Vedic Hinduism, underscoring that the Vedas do not endorse untouchability or caste hierarchy but promote universal knowledge for all.

Dr. Sharma provided an insightful review of Satyarth Prakash, Swami Ji's seminal work that simplified Vedic knowledge for the masses. He discussed the emphasis placed by Swami Ji on equal education for both boys and girls before marriage, reinforcing the progressive vision of the Vedic tradition.

Honouring Swami Dayananda Saraswati as a Maharshi, Dr. Sharma lauded his lifelong dedication to eradicating social malpractices and superstitions, including caste discrimination and gender inequality. He emphasized that the Vedas serve as a foundational source



of knowledge for all communities and modern disciplines. Additionally, he highlighted Swami Ji's visionary efforts in establishing schools and gurukuls to impart true knowledge and skills.

Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, in his address, described Swami Dayananda Saraswati as the guiding force behind DAV Schools and Colleges worldwide. He fondly recalled his father, Late Shree Shankar Lal Kedia, who was deeply concerned about the erosion of Eastern civilizations due to external and internal influences. Inspired by Swami Ji's ideals, his father established DAV School in Nepal 32 years ago to promote Vedic education. Chairperson Kedia expressed profound appreciation for Prof. Dr. Sharma's enlightening discourse, describing him as a visible embodiment of Saraswati.

The Chairperson also requested the Principal and Vice-Principal to organize similar discourse for the DAV teaching community. The event was also graced by Mr. Narayan Prasad Dhakal from Nepal Pragyik Vidyarthi Parishad.

Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, in her address, welcomed all the attendees and reflected on Swami Dayananda Saraswati's enduring legacy. Born in 1824 in Gujarat, Swami Ji was a pioneer in challenging superstitions, advocating women's education, and promoting social reform. "Swami Ji's fearless commitment to rational thought and his establishment

of the Arya Samaj in 1875 laid the foundation for transformative education," she remarked.

The Principal elaborated on how Swami Ji's principles continue to shape DAV institutions, which integrate modern learning with moral values. "Education should not only impart knowledge but also nurture character, integrity, and critical thinking—values that remain relevant today, especially in an era of misinformation and social inequalities," she noted. She concluded by urging all to uphold wisdom, righteousness, and a commitment to societal progress.

The celebration featured Saraswati Sloka chanting, fusion dance, poetry recitations, prize distribution for the weeklong bicentenary competitions, devotional songs, Bharatanatyam and Kathak performances, thematic dances, and bhajans by the Music Department teachers. The event concluded with a collective pledge to uphold Swami Dayananda Saraswati's ideals, ensuring his mission continues to inspire future generations.

Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal extended a warm reception to the distinguished guests and parents. The programme was moderated by Mr. Purushottam Pokharel, Head of Hindi Department, and Ms. Asha Khadka, Head of English Department.

## DAV Taekwondo Students Shine at 2<sup>nd</sup> Bagmati Province Kathmandu Metropolitan Deputy Mayor Cup Taekwondo Championship



Four students from DAV School showcased their outstanding taekwondo skills at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bagmati Province Kathmandu Metropolitan Deputy Mayor Cup Taekwondo Championship, 2021.

The Championship was organised by New Saraswati Taekwondo Dojang at Saraswati Secondary School, Chetrapati, Kathmandu from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2025. A total of 40 schools and dozens across Bagmati province attended the championship.

As per the results, Agrim Budhathoki (Grade VI 'F') secured a gold medal and a merit certificate in the under-13 poomsae category. Aayushree Banstola (Grade VII 'I') earned a silver medal and a merit certificate in the 13 to 17 years poomsae category, while Tansha Shah (Grade V) won a silver medal and a merit certificate in the under-13 poomsae category. Additionally, Roxaulina Thapa (Grade VII 'I') claimed a bronze medal and a merit certificate in the under-13 poomsae category.

Furthermore, Prayan Siwakoti (Grade V) competed in the 38-42 kg weight category, and Aayan Shrestha (Grade VIII) participated in the 54-68 kg weight category.

The students were accompanied by their Taekwondo coaches, Ms. Ranju Tamang and Mr. Hem Raj Shahi.

## Swami Dayananda Saraswati Bicentenary Celebration

DAV School celebrated the bicentenary of Swami Dayananda Saraswati with great splendour on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025, within the school premises. The entire school community came together to pay tribute to the revered founder of the Dayananda Anglo-Vedic (DAV) philosophy, which harmonises the spiritual wisdom of the East with the technological advancements of the West.

As a part of the celebration, students from Kindergarten to Grade XI, along with teachers and staff, participated in a floral homage and prasad distribution ceremony at Indu Sadan and Shankar Sadan.

The English Department organised different competitions throughout the week, inspired by Swami Dayananda Saraswati's teachings, for middle school students. Additionally, students of Kindergarten, Grades I, II, IX, and XI watched a documentary on Swami Dayananda Saraswati, tailored to their age groups.

Grades III and IV engaged in a biography-sharing and reading competition, while students from Grades IX and XI, along with the Housekeeping Department, participated in the Trikundiya Havan at Indu Sadan.

A special discourse on Swami Dayananda



Saraswati was held in Buddha Hall for students of Grades VII and VIII, with the presence of invited parents and Vedic knowledge seekers. The session was led by Prof. Dr. Krishna Chandra Sharma from the Central Department of English, Tribhuvan University, Kirtipur, Kathmandu.

DAV Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, and other school authorities graced different venues, adding significance to the occasion in honour of Swami Dayananda Saraswati, the guiding force behind DAV Schools and Colleges worldwide.

To commemorate this special event, the school declared the third 'Bagless Day' of the academic session 2024/25.

## Visit to Cerebral Palsy Centre, Dhapakhel, Lalitpur



On February 6, a group of 30 vocational studies students from Grade VI visited the Cerebral Palsy Centre in Dhapakhel, Lalitpur. The visit aimed to help students understand how children and adults with cerebral palsy are acquiring vocational education to lead meaningful and fulfilling lives.

Upon arrival, the DAV students received a warm welcome from the staff. They observed various therapies provided to children with cerebral palsy and epilepsy, along with activities such as water gardening, meditation, and garment weaving.

The Cerebral Palsy Centre in Dhapakhel operates as a day boarding school, offering essential facilities in the Kathmandu Valley. Additionally, it provides training to family members of individuals with cerebral palsy who reside outside the valley.

The students were accompanied by Mr. Bijay Lama, a psychologist and life skills teacher, along with Ms. Anu Bajracharya, an HPE teacher. Mr. Lama noted that the students demonstrated great enthusiasm and empathy, showing a sincere interest in understanding the lives and challenges of individuals with cerebral palsy.



## Management Review Meeting for ISO 9001:2015



DAV School, the first ISO-certified school in the country, organised a Management Review Meeting (MRM) for the ISO 9001:2015 audit on 9<sup>th</sup> February in Jetvan Hall.

The meeting was held in the esteemed presence of Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia. Mr. Hari Prasad Subedi from QEMS Pvt. Ltd. delivered a comprehensive presentation based on the internal audit conducted between 8<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2024. He, along with Mr. Pom Raj Bhandari from Quality and Environment Management Service Pvt. Ltd. (QEMS), served as the key resources for the internal audit. The internal audit report covered a total of 30 departments within DAVSKVB School.

The key agendas of the MRM included:

1. Review of actions from previous management meetings
2. Evaluation of external and internal factors affecting the Quality Management System (QMS)
3. Assessment of QMS performance and effectiveness, including ongoing trends
4. Adequacy of available resources
5. Effectiveness of measures taken to address risks and opportunities for improvement

During the meeting, the internal auditors prepared a document that is required for the external audit to be assessed by the end of February, 2025.

Addressing the attendees, Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia reflected on the school's journey, recalling the challenges faced during its early years and its achievement

as the first ISO-certified school in the country. He emphasised the significance of quality service, stating that customer satisfaction and appreciation are the ultimate keys to sustain in any profession. He also expressed his interest in holding an additional interactive session with the internal auditors, Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice- Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal and HR Manager Mr. Ashish Rai to introduce new perspectives in the ongoing quality enhancement process.

Vice Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal highlighted that ISO 9001:2015 provides a structured system, ensuring comprehensive coverage of all aspects of school operations, even those that might otherwise be overlooked.

Before the commencement of the Management Review Meeting (MRM) on ISO 9001:2015, Human Resource Manager Mr. Ashish Rai extended a warm welcome to all the attendees. He emphasised that the MRM serves as a crucial platform to assess progress, identify areas for improvement, and reinforce institution's commitment to excellence at DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati. Highlighting its significance, Mr. Rai stated that the MRM embodies a shared dedication to uphold the highest standards, ensuring the integrity of systems and processes for the benefit of students, staff, and stakeholders.

The meeting was attended by CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, SSO Mr. Prashant Samal, Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji, Co-ordinators from Kindergarten to Middle School, Heads of Departments, Activity In-charges, and other Departmental Heads.

## Outstanding Achievement in the 1<sup>st</sup> Jugal Nawa Gurukul Kathmandu District Level Taekwondo Championship



A total of twenty athletes from DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati School participated in the 1<sup>st</sup> Jugal Nawa Gurukul Taekwondo Championship – 2081 at Jugal Nawa Gurukul Taekwondo Dojang, Budhanilkantha-10, Kapan, Kathmandu, on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

Demonstrating exceptional skills and determination, DAV students competed in 23 categories and secured medals in 21 categories, marking a remarkable achievement for the school.

To celebrate this outstanding success, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal extended his heartfelt congratulations to the winners during the morning assembly on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025. The students' remarkable performance earned them 6 gold medals, 4 silver medals, and 11 bronze medals, along with merit certificates.

The gold medalists are Tanishqa Shah, Agrim Budhathoki, and Satyarth Prakash Adhikari from Grade VI, along with Syna Shrestha, Jhalak Regmi from Grade VIII, and Rejoy Thapa from Grade III.

The silver medalists include Shreya Bajracharya, Aaradhya Bahadur Shahi, Nikita Thakur from Grade VII and Agrim Budhathoki from Grade VI.

The bronze medalists are Adhira Paudel from Grade III, Jehan Man Joshi and Prayan Siwakoti from Grade V, Asmina K.C. from Grade VII, and Pragya Siwakoti, Nhujala Shrestha, Arya Pradhanang, Aayan Shrestha, and Shiven Shrestha from Grade VIII.

This achievement reflects the dedication and excellence of DAV students in the field of Taekwondo, bringing pride to the school and inspiring future athletes.

## Newton Science Club Students Visit Research Center for Applied Science and Technology (RECAST), National Innovation Center, Kirtipur

On 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025, a group of 26 students associated with Newton Science Club, representing Grades IX and XI, visited the Research Center for Applied Science and Technology (RECAST), National Innovation Center, Kirtipur, Kathmandu.

The visit aimed to enhance their understanding of scientific research, technological advancements, and the real-world applications of science in Nepal.

According to Newton Science Club In-charge, Ms. Ranju Shrestha, the students had the opportunity to observe, learn about, and operate various innovative technologies,



including drones, telescopes, drying machines, egg-hatching machines, glass-cutting machines, and decorative equipment such as 3D decoration tools.

They also explored plastic recycling, grinding and drying machines, as well as medical delivery drones and other drone technologies.

The Research Centre staff provided detailed explanations on the machines' features and applications, and also guided the students through hands-on experiences with some of the equipments. The students actively participated in the activities, engaging with the researchers and gaining valuable practical insights that complemented their classroom learning.

Accompanying the students on the excursion were Senior School Science Teachers—Mr. Sudhir Singh, Ms. Ranju Shrestha, and Mr. Birendra Mandal.

## Record-breaking Innings of Prasadsha Jaishi



We are immensely proud and delighted to share that Prasadsha Jaishi, a Grade IX student, has made history in Nepal's Inter-School Cricket Tournament. He achieved the highest runs ever recorded, scoring a remarkable 152 runs off just 49 balls against St. Xavier's Godawari in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bruno Memorial Inter-School Cricket Tournament, organised by St. Xavier's Jawalakhel at its premises.

His record-breaking innings featured seven sixes and twenty-one boundaries. On behalf of DAV School family, we extend our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes for his future endeavours. In this match, DAV set a challenging target of 222 runs in 12 overs and won by 200 runs.

Previously, in 2017, Ashutosh Ghiraiya, former captain of DAV School's cricket team, achieved a remarkable century against an Indian School. We are once again filled with excitement as a DAV School cricketer surpasses this record, marking a historic moment for the team.

## Yangzum Lama Secures First Place in 19<sup>th</sup> Nawa Shanti Cup Karate Championship



Yangzum Lama, a Grade IV 'G' student, claimed first place in the 19<sup>th</sup> Nawa Shanti Cup Karate Championship 2025, held on 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.

Competing in the Kumite category's 30 kg weight group, she showcased remarkable skill and determination. The championship was organised by the Nepal Shito-Ryu Karate-Do Branch Dojo Nawa Shanti in Tarkeshwor Municipality-8, Kathmandu.

She was honoured by Mr. Rajendra Kumar Ojha (Chairman and Chief Instructor), Mr. Dawa Gurung (Chairman and General Secretary of the Nepal Shito-Ryu Karate-Do Association, Nepal Karate Federation), and Mr. Krishna Hari Maharjan (Mayor of Tarkeshwor Municipality).

## Samun Malla Clinches Gold at Bagmati Province Kasthamandap Karate Championship



Samun Malla, a student of Grade VIII B won the Gold Medal and a Merit Certificate in the ongoing Bagmati Province Kasthamandap Karate Championship, 2081 on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

Competing in the 13-year-old Kumite category, Samun showcased his exceptional martial arts skills. The championship was organized by the Nepal Shitoryu Association Branch Dojo Lancha r.

On behalf of school community, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to Samun and wish him continued success in his future endeavours. The championship concluded on 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.



## Family Jamboree of Grade V

The Family Jamboree of Grade V was celebrated on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025, in Buddha Hall following the regular school hours.

The event was held in the benign presence of the Chairperson, Shree Anil Kedia, and Guest of Honour, Mr. A. Jerald, Principal of Kendriya Vidyalaya, Embassy of India, Lainchaur, Kathmandu.

The formal programme commenced with a warm welcome to the distinguished guests, followed by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp and the rendition of the National Anthem.

The Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, extended a heartfelt welcome to all the invited parents and guardians. She highlighted the Family Jamboree as one of the most anticipated events of the school year, offering students a platform to showcase their talents. She expressed immense pride in seeing 256 talented Grade V students step onto the stage, demonstrating their dedication, hard work, and artistic abilities through performances that celebrated the rich cultural heritage of Nepal, India, and the world.

The Principal also expressed her sincere gratitude to the parents for their presence, enthusiasm, and unwavering support. She applauded Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia for his role in fostering diversity within the DAV School community and acknowledged the invaluable presence of Mr. A. Jerald on this auspicious occasion.

The auditorium came alive with a vibrant array of performances, including soul-stirring songs, dynamic dances, and captivating theatrical acts. Students presented a diverse cultural showcase featuring Ekadantaya Vakratundaya bhajans, Bharatnatyam and Kathak dances, thematic performances, international freestyle dance, an English



song, a traditional Newari dance, and an energetic Bollywood dance.

Parents were thrilled to witness their children's remarkable talents and responded with resounding applause and cheers. The overwhelming joy of the moment was evident as many captured these precious memories on their devices.

Guest of Honour Mr. A. Jerald dressed the gathering and commended the students' performances, the dedication of the teachers, and the nurturing environment provided by DAV School. He openly expressed his admiration for the school's initiatives and wished to implement similar programmes at Kendriya Vidyalaya. He also praised DAV School's commitment to holistic personality development through a wide range of co-curricular activities, shaping students into individuals of strong

character and resilience. Enthusiastically, he expressed his desire to attend future Family Jamborees as a parent and requested the school to invite him for such special occasions.

Adding to the excitement, some parents enthusiastically participated in a fun-filled game competition, further enhancing the joyful atmosphere. They were honoured with awards presented by Mr. A. Jerald in the presence of Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia, Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, and CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater.

Some parents were given the responsibility of evaluating students' performances using the assessment sheets. The winning group had the opportunity to meet the Chairperson and the Principal for a special surprise interaction.

## Siddhant and Amani Selected for PASCH Youth Camp 2025 in Germany



Siddhant Jha (Grade IX 'G') and Amani Shah (Grade IX 'C') were selected to participate in the prestigious PASCH Youth Camp 2025 in Germany. Their names were officially announced by Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal in the morning assembly of 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.

A total of 13 German language students from Grade IX took part in the selection process, which included an examination conducted by Goethe-Zentrum Thapathali, Kathmandu, in co-ordination with Goethe-Institut Max Mueller Bhavan, New Delhi, India. All students

performed exceptionally well, passing the exam with outstanding results.

The top five scorers advanced to the Casting Couch Interview conducted by Mr. Timothy Strack, the Language Advisor for PASCH in South Asia and Mr. Abhishek Paudel. Following the final selection, Siddhant and Amani secured their spots for the youth camp.

The PASCH Youth Camp is scheduled to take place between June and July 2025. The host city in Germany will be announced soon.

## Taekwondo Players Shine at the 2<sup>nd</sup> School Level National Taekwondo Championship



DAV Taekwondo players delivered a stellar performance at the 2<sup>nd</sup> School Level National Taekwondo Championship-2081, organized by the

Nepal Taekwondo Association at the Taekwondo Academy Hall, Satdobato on February 25.

Competing against over 500 participants from more than 50 schools across the country, DAV athletes showcased their hard work and discipline, securing multiple victories across different categories.

As per the results, Aavash Maharjan clinched the gold medal in the under 73kg Male category, while Akshunna Rai secured silver in the Under-8 Years Individual Poomsae Female event. Additionally, Agrim Budhathoki and Tanishqa Shah won bronze in the Under-11 Years Pair Poomsae, and Jhalak Regmi earned a bronze medal in the under 63kg Female category.

## DAV Students Attend School Mela of St. Xavier's School



On February 1, approximately 170 students from Grades VIII and IX attended a School Mela organised by St. Xavier's School, Godawari, Lalitpur. The students were accompanied by Middle School Co-ordinator Mr. Krishna Joshi, Hostel Warden Mr. Rohit Subba, and few teachers from both the middle and senior schools. DAV students and teachers were warmly welcomed at St. Xavier's premises.

## Participation in Sanskriti Gyan Parikshya

A total of 82 students from DAV participated in the Sanskriti Gyan Parikshya, organised by Hindu Swoyam Sevak Sangh at Tundikhel, Kathmandu, on February 14. The participants included Sanskrit language students from Grades V, VI, and VII (SEE and CBSE), along with Grade VIII CBSE students. The examination saw the participation from different schools and gurukuls across the region.

The students were accompanied by Sanskrit Department teachers, including Head of Department Mr. Purushottam Rijal, Middle School Activity In-charge Mr. Surchen Shah, and Middle School Teacher



Mr. Sheetal Upadhaya. Open to all schools in the Kathmandu Valley, the programme aimed to raise awareness about Nepal's history, religion, and culture. The event was moderated by Mr. Dilliram Sharma, a former Hindi language teacher at DAV School.

## Art Head Honoured with Artist Kaji Hossain Award



Mr. Rajumuni Bajracharya, Head of the Art Department at DAV School, has been honoured with the prestigious Artist Kazi Hossain Award at the Nepal Art Expo-2025.

The event, curated by Md Imran Hossen, was held at Nepal Art Council Gallery

from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025, with the support of Nepal Academy of Fine Arts.

Mr. Bajracharya received this honour in recognition of his outstanding artistic achievements and contributions to the art community. In a special moment during the morning assembly on 17th February 2025, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, on behalf of school management, presented the award to him and extended best wishes for his future success.

## Achievers of Kanjirowa STEAM Bhela, 2081



Three students from DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati School achieved outstanding success at the Kanjirowa STEAM Bhela 2081, held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

The students delivered a presentation on the topic 'Science with Art', showcasing creativity, teamwork, and innovation in addressing real-world community challenges through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM).

As a result of their exceptional performance, DAV students won the Best Presentation Award along with a Certificate of Participation. The achievers are Seema Thakur, Samip Pokhrel, and Priyansh Thapa.

## DAV Staff Appeared Victorious in the Inter-School Invitational Staff 7-A-Side Football Tournament



DAV Teachers' Team clinched the champion's trophy of Inter-School Invitational Staff 7-A Side Football Tournament 2025, organized by St. Xavier's School, Jawalakhel, Lalitpur, at its premises on February 26.

DAV Teachers Team included Mr. Bijay Maharjan (Captain), Mr. Santosh Rai (Goal Keeper), Mr. Purnendu Ghosh, Mr. Sudip Adhikary, Mr. Kumar Sunuwar, Mr. Janak Moktan, Mr. Biwash Rai, Mr. Janak Chaudhary, Mr. Ananta Maharjan and Mr. Phanindra Timilsina.



## Celebration of 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day and Excellence Award Ceremony

*The Chief Guest Mr. Sapkota commended DAV for its outstanding extra-curricular activities, sports, arts, and literature, stating that these aspects set DAV apart from other schools in the country, despite their efforts to excel.*

DAV Sushil Kedia Vishwa Bharati School celebrated its 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day with great enthusiasm and fervour, showcasing the school's rich cultural heritage and academic achievements in Buddha Hall on 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.

The annual function was graced by the presence of the Chief Guest, Mr. Shiva Kumar Sapkota, Joint Secretary and Spokesperson, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology; the Guest of Honour- Shree Anil Kedia, DAV Chairperson and Mr. Nim Prakash Singh Rathod, Unit Chief, Education Development and Co-ordination Unit, Lalitpur; and the Special Guest, Mr. Tara Khanal, President of PABSON, Lalitpur.

The event commenced with a warm welcome to the guests, followed by the lighting of the ceremonial lamp. The Principal, Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, presented the annual report, highlighting school's achievements during the academic session 2023/24.

The Principal remarked that the Annual Day and Excellence Award Ceremony serve as a reflection of collective success, recognition of the efforts of brilliant students and dedicated teachers, and a vision for an even brighter future for the institution. She further stated, "Annual Day is not just about awards and trophies; it is about recognising the hard work, dedication, and perseverance that our students have demonstrated throughout the year."

She acknowledged all DAV students on this auspicious occasion, encouraging them to continue striving for excellence and believing in themselves. She emphasised that every effort made by the students is valued at DAV and that success is not just about winning but about learning and growing. The Principal also extended heartfelt gratitude to the teaching community for their dedication to education and to parents for their trust in DAV.

In her annual report, she outlined school's achievements in academics, particularly in the board results of Grade XII (CBSE) and Grade X (SEE and CBSE). She also highlighted success in Vedic and cultural learning, sports, arts, language, vocational training, exhibitions, dance and music, tours and field visits, as well as different awards and achievements in both scholastic and co-scholastic activities.



A key highlight of the day was the Annual Awards distribution ceremony. The dignitaries of the programme bestowed the Academic Excellence Award, Best Portfolio Award, Ekalavya Award, People Respecting Others (PRO) Award, and Read to the Principal Award to deserving students. The Annual Awards recognised students who excelled in academics, co-curricular activities, and overall growth during the 2023/24 session. A total of 329 students received the Annual Excellence Award.

Additionally, the programme featured a variety of performances that captivated the audience. The stage performances included the Sufi song "Saiyaan," Bharatnatyam and Kathak dances by Grade IX students, an international dance by Grade VI students, a Nepali dance by Grade II students, a contemporary dance by Grade VII students, and a Bollywood dance by Grade V students.

Addressing the gathering, Mr. Shiva Kumar Sapkota, Joint Secretary & Spokesperson, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, shared that he had been associated with DAV School for nearly 12–15 years and had also been engaged with schools across the country in his role in the education sector.

He expressed his pleasure at being invited to such a grand programme and congratulated the award-winning and performing students. He also extended his congratulations to the parents, teachers, and school management for their contributions to the students' success.

Mr. Sapkota was delighted to learn that hundreds of students had graduated over the past 24 years at DAV. He particularly commended DAV for its outstanding extra-curricular activities, sports, arts, and literature, stating that these aspects set DAV apart from other schools in the country, despite their efforts to excel.

He emphasised that the Ministry of Education's primary aim is to ensure that students receive the best learning environment, which all parents and guardians desire. He congratulated DAV parents for securing one of the best learning environments for their children.

He also appreciated the role of teachers, school management, and parents in school's continued success. As part of his address, he shared insights into effective teaching and learning techniques for both teachers and parents.

Meanwhile, he expressed his hope that the Chairperson of DAV School would establish a research unit to support a 'Whole Education System,' a concept that the Ministry of Education is also working on nationwide.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, who extended heartfelt gratitude to the distinguished guests and esteemed parents for taking the time to attend and support the school.

The event was attended by key school officials, including CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, SSO Mr. Prashant Samal, Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji, Middle School Co-ordinator Mr. Krishna Joshi, Junior School Co-ordinator Mr. Andrew Fitz Patrick, Kindergarten Co-ordinator Ms. Shanti Gurung, and HR Mr. Ashish Rai. All of them warmly welcomed the guests and invited parents.

The moderators of the programme were Head of English Department Ms. Asha Khadka and Senior School Science Teacher Ms. Pratikshya Nepali.

Overall, the celebration of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day was a resounding success, leaving everyone inspired and reinforcing the values of unity in diversity.

## Family Jamboree cum Graduation Ceremony of DAV Kindergarten



The Family Jamboree cum Graduation Ceremony of DAV Kindergarten for the academic year 2024/25 was celebrated with great enthusiasm in the gracious presence of the Chief Guest Mr. Laxmi Prashad Gupta from the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), New Delhi, India, in Buddha Hall on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025.

The event was graced by the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice-principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater, along with the dedicated DAV Kindergarten teachers and a supportive parents' community. Their presence and blessings

filled the occasion with warmth, as they wished the young graduates success in their educational journey ahead.

The formal programme commenced with Vedic rituals, including the traditional lighting of the lamp ceremony, followed by the National Anthem. Kindergarten Co-ordinator Ms. Shanti Gurung then delivered a heartfelt welcome speech, setting a joyous tone for the event.

The cultural performances began with UKG 'A' students presenting a delightful melody, followed by a Nepali song, 'Tirkha Lagyo Nirmaya', performed by LKG students.

Nursery students presented an energetic dance on 'Health is Wealth', while UKG 'B' staged an emotional thematic dance on 'Maa'. Additionally, a mesmerizing group dance on the song 'Tu Hai Toh' and a cake-cutting celebration added to the excitement.

The audience was captivated by the extraordinary performances of the young students, who showcased their talent with confidence and joy. Their songs, dances, and enactments earned admiration and applause from everyone present. The breathtaking cultural performances left lasting impressions, creating beautiful memories for all attendees.

A particularly touching moment was the 'Thank You' speech delivered by the UKG graduates, which deeply moved the teachers and parents with their heartfelt words of gratitude. The Chief Guest, Mr. Gupta, presented Graduation Certificates to all the UKG graduates, in the presence of the Principal, Vice-Principal, and CAO, marking a proud milestone in their early learning journey.

The event was a celebration of growth, progress, and unity, reinforcing a sense of togetherness and pride at DAV Kindergarten. The programme was skillfully moderated by Aarifa Khatun (XI 'C') and Prince Agrawal (XI 'D'), with an audience comprising students and teachers of Grade V and VI.

## Family Jamboree of Grade I

The Family Jamboree of Grade I, 2024/25, held on March 12, at Buddha Hall, was a spectacular display of young talent, enthusiasm, and cultural celebration.

The event commenced with the arrival of Shree Anil Kedia, Patron of DAV School, alongside Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, Vice-Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal, and CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater. The lighting of the ceremonial lamp and the National Anthem created an auspicious start to the gathering.

Throughout the programme, the Grade I students mesmerised the audience with a diverse set of performances, including an English song, Nepali cultural dance, Bollywood fusion, hip-hop/freestyle dance, and a Holi celebration. The enthusiasm of both students and parents was evident, as families cheered for the young performers, encouraging them on their artistic journey.

An exciting highlight of the evening was the mothers' dance competition, which brought a wave of energy and joy to the



hall full of audience. The winners were promptly honoured by the Chairperson, Principal, Vice-Principal, and CAO, adding a special touch to the event.

Furthermore, selected Grade II parents had the opportunity to evaluate the students' performances, with the best group set to be awarded in an upcoming assembly. The event was seamlessly hosted by Ms. Anusha Rana, Ms. Dikshya Pahari, and Ms. Ashmita

Khadgi, who guided the proceedings with professionalism and charm.

The presence of school faculty members, including SSO, Wing Coordinators, HR Manager, HODs, and teachers, contributed to the programme's success, ensuring a smooth and enjoyable experience for all. As the event concluded, a heartfelt appreciation was extended to everyone involved in making the Jamboree a grand success.



## Closing Ceremony of Mathematics Week and Celebration of International Mathematics Day

The closing ceremony of Mathematics Week and the celebration of International Mathematics Day took place on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025 in Indu Hall, graced by the esteemed presence of Professor Dr. Bishnu Prasad Dhungana (Tribhuvan University) and Mr. Netra Prasad Sapkota. International Mathematics Day is observed annually on 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Mathematics Week, held from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025, featured a series of mathematical competitions across Junior, Middle, and Senior School (Grades I to XI). The winners of various competitions were honoured for their achievements. In the Junior School, winners of the Run and Solve competition (Grade I), Bingo Game (Grade II), Card Game (Grade III), and Find Me-Board Game (Grade IV) were awarded gold, silver, and bronze medals along with certificates of achievement by Chief Guest Dr. Dhungana, in the presence of Vice Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal and Head of Mathematics Department, Mr. R.K. Tripathi.

Similarly, in the Middle School category, winners of Model Making on Fractions (Grade V), Mathematical Data Presentation (Grade VI), Intersection Mathematics Speech Competition (Grade VII), and Biography Presentation Competition (Grade VIII) received medals and merit certificates.

In the Senior School category, winners of the Intersection Mathematics Poetry Recitation Competition (Grade IX) and the Intersection Skit Competition (Grade XI) were also recognized with medals and certificates. A



total of 67 students were honoured for their dedication and excellence in Mathematics.

Addressing the gathering, Prof. Dr. Dhungana expressed his joy in witnessing young mathematical talents being celebrated. He emphasized the significance of Mathematics in everyday life, describing it as “the queen of sciences, a language of precision, a tool for problem-solving, and a key to understanding the intricate patterns of the universe through numbers, shapes, and equations.” He also paid tribute to renowned mathematicians and scientists, acknowledging their invaluable contributions to the world.

Vice Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal extended heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Dhungana for his inspiring words and highlighted his distinction as one of the youngest scholars to earn a PhD in Nepal. He also shared that Dr. Dhungana holds a special connection with DAV as the father of Mr. Ashok Dhungana, a Head Boy of the Academic Session 2012/13. Mr. Khanal expressed hope for future collaborations with Dr. Dhungana.

The event was attended by Senior School Co-ordinator Mr. Tank Meghji Devji, along with activity in-charges from various school wings, who provided their support throughout the programme.

The ceremony began with a welcome speech by Mathematics HoD Mr. Tripathi, who outlined the objectives of Mathematics Week and International Mathematics Day at DAV. The formal proceedings commenced with the traditional lighting of the Lamp of Wisdom and the singing of the National Anthem. The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Senior School Mathematics Teacher Mr. C.B. Basnet. The MC for the programme was Middle School Mathematics Teacher Mr. Shyam Lal Das.

As part of the cultural segment, a group of Grade VII students performed a classical dance, while winners of the Mathematics Poetry Recitation Competition (Grade IX) presented their winning pieces. Additionally, the first-place winners of the Mathematics Model Making Competition showcased their projects, and the Grade XI winning team performed their award-winning skit.

## Science Exhibitions and Competition, 2025



The Science Department and Newton Science Club organized a Science Exhibitions and Competition for the students of Grades V, VI, VII, IX, and XI in Indu Hall on March 4.

Approximately one hundred models were presented by the students in the exhibitions and competitions. According

to Head of the Science Department, Mr. Kamlesh Karn, the exhibitions and competition aimed at enhancing students' scientific and logical thinking skills. It was inspiring to see students applying theoretical knowledge to create innovative science models.

Before the exhibition, students were encouraged to use readily available materials from home. The competition was evaluated by Mr. Karn, along with senior school science teachers—Mr. Sudhir Singh, Mr. Vivek Chaudhary, Mr. Sanjay Kumar Shah, and Mr. Birendra Mandal.

The exhibition featured a wide range of models, including the Solar System, Rainfall Detector, Newton Disc and Light Dispersion, Constellation, Rainwater Harvesting, Water Dispenser, Water

Purification, Kidney Function, DNA Structure, Hydroponic Water Farm, Mini Plough Robots, and Solar/Lunar Eclipses.

Additionally, other models on display included Water Filtration, Pulley Mechanism, Windmill, Solar Panel, Wind Turbine, Volcano Demonstration, Electric Circuit, Water Cycle Process, Periscope, Newton Disc and Non-Newtonian Fluids, Quiz Board, a Rocket based on Pascal's Hydraulic Law, Lung's Function, a Working Model of the Human Heart, and an Automatic Segregation Machine, among many others.

The best models from the exhibition will avail the opportunity to present during the 2<sup>nd</sup> PTC and Exhibitions.





The achievers of the first-level International Olympiad of Science (IOS) for the academic session 2024/25 were honoured with medals and merit certificates during the morning assembly on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025.



The Principal congratulated Sha on securing third place at the 'First Vinayak Invitational Inter-School Gymnastics Tournament, 2081', and encouraged her to continue striving for excellence in the sports on March 19<sup>th</sup>.



The winners of the Best Scrapbook Competition for Middle School (Grades VI to VIII), organised by Don Bosco Institute, Thecho, Lalitpur, were honoured during the morning assembly on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025.



The winners of the First Level Olympiad of International Olympiad of Science (IOS), International Olympiad of English Language (IOEL), and International Olympiad of Mathematics (IOM) from Middle School (Grades V to VIII) were honoured during the morning assembly on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025.



The Best Scrapbook Award Winners of Don Bosco Institute, Thecho, Lalitpur were recognized in the morning assembly on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025.



The winners of the first-level International Olympiad of English Language (IOEL), organised by the SilverZone Foundation, New Delhi, India, were honoured during the morning assembly on 6<sup>th</sup> March.



The winners of the Outdoor Landscape Art Competition, organized by Uttam Kiran Art Club and Department of Art and Craft, were recognized in the morning assembly on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025.



The winners of the first-level International Olympiad of Mathematics (IOM), organised by the SilverZone Foundation, New Delhi, India, were honoured during the morning assembly on 6<sup>th</sup> March.



## Family Jamboree of Grade VII

Family Jamboree of Grade VII, the annual cultural extravaganza for the session 2024/25 was held in Buddha Hall on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.

The event was honoured by renowned singer Ms. Lochan Bhattarai, who attended as the Chief Guest, with Mr. Narendra Raule – Editor at Ratopati Online TV and Frontline Nepal News Portal – as the Special Guest. The Guest of Honour was the Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao, alongside Vice Principal Mr. Ramchandra Khanal and CAO Ms. Vijaya Tater.

Parents and guardians of Grade VII students filled the audience, while the students led their families through a musical journey, showcasing their talents with performances including songs, dances and different thematic enactments.

Middle School Co-ordinator, Mr. Krishna Joshi, warmly welcomed all the guests, sharing that the aim of the Family Jamboree is to provide a platform for students to display their hidden talents.

The evening's highlights included a soulful classical song (Hindi Song), a thematic dance, contemporary dance, Bollywood dance, Bharatnatyam and Kathak performances, along with both an English song and Nepali dance.

In her address, the Chief Guest Ms. Lochan



Bhattarai expressed that this was her second visit to Buddha Hall and praised DAV School for its promotion of Nepali art, culture, and literature, particularly noting the Kumari Dance featured in the programme. She expressed her gratitude to the school for the opportunity to be a part of this meaningful event.

Ms. Bhattarai shared her joy in witnessing the school's learning environment and admitted that she would have loved to study

in such a school. She also gave a presentation on different perspectives of the word "Entertainment" from her vast experience and performed two of her popular songs, receiving praise from the DAV community.

Additionally, some enthusiastic fathers joined in the fun-filled game competition, adding extra excitement to the celebration. The winners were awarded prizes by the distinguished guests.



A Huge Congratulations to Ms. Chandra Bhandari for being the first female head coach in the B Division League, organized by All Nepal Football Association (ANFA).



Avanie Rai Clinches Golf Title and Receives a Scholarship Worth Rs. 1 Lakh at Indian Ambassador's Invitational Golf Tournament on March 8.



A total of 56 selected students from Grades V, VI and VIII participated in a Pottery Workshop organised by the Art Department in school premises on 2<sup>nd</sup> March.



On March 6, a total of 15 Grade XII Home Science students, along with 15 selected HPE students from Grades V and VI, participated in a cultural food exchange programme in Home Science Lab.



## Read to the Principal for Junior and Middle School Students

Eighteen finalists of the Read to the Principal programme attended an interactive session with Principal Dr. Bhubaneswari Rao on March 2.

The junior school finalists included Ankit Bhattacharya (Grade II 'C'), Raisha Prajapati (Grade II 'F'), Lunasha Regmi (Grade III 'E'), Rahul Ray (Grade III 'E'), Arnav Roy (Grade IV 'B'), and Divya Daga (Grade IV 'H').

From the middle school, the finalists were Mridhul Bajracharya and Seismic G.C. (Grade V 'A'), Aaradhya Khadka and Ananya Risal (Grade VI 'A'), Samyukta Thapa (Grade VI 'B'), Seema Thakur and Himanshu Brahma (Grade VII 'H'), Aayushree Banstola and Roxaulina Thapa (Grade VII 'I'), Tejaswi Khadka (Grade VIII 'B'), Aarogya Pyakurel (Grade VIII 'E'), and Prachur Dhakal (Grade VIII 'F').

During the session, the finalists read excerpts from their chosen books, followed by a discussion with the Principal and judges—Mr. Anjal Tajpuria and Mr. Jonash Lepcha from English Department. The judges posed different questions, including the book's theme, reasons for selection, character analysis, setting, plot, significance of the title, and moral of the story.



The Principal praised students for their reading habits and expressed keen interest in their reading culture at home. She encouraged them to continue exploring books and congratulated the teachers from English and Library Departments for their efforts in making the programme a success.

Before reaching the final stage, English and Library Department teachers conducted multiple rounds of interviews, selecting the best candidates from a large pool of enthusiastic participants. The winners were honoured with Certificate of Achievement and Awards.



The Nepali Filmy Dance from Grade II, Hip-hop Freestyle Dance from Grade III, and Thematic Dance from Grade IV were ranked as the top performances in their respective grade-level jamborees.



On 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025, Sanskrit Department of DAV School conducted a Good Luck Hawan Ceremony for Grade X SEE students in Indu Hall. This annual event, held before the Board examinations, aimed to invoke blessings and instill confidence among students.



Upagya Dahal, a student of Grade IX 'C', won the first position and Class Topper Award in the Vocational Skill Training and Competition organized by Don Bosco Institute, Thecho, Lalitpur for the academic session 2024/25.



Riya Ambastha from Grade VIII 'G' and Shreya Nemkul from Grade VII claimed first place and the Class Topper Award in the Vocational Skill Training and Competition organised by Don Bosco Institute, Thecho, Lalitpur, for the academic session 2024/25.





The Family Jamboree for Grade V was an incredible experience. Sincere appreciation to the management and teachers for their dedication to students' development. DAV ROCKS!

*(Commented on the Family Jamboree of Grade V)*

**A. Jerald**

Principal, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Kathmandu  
10<sup>th</sup> February 2025



An excellent and a well-managed programme led by a devoted team. It was a great platform for knowledge exchange.

*(Commented on the Celebration of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day and Excellence Award Ceremony)*

**Mr. Tara Prasad Khanal**

President, PABSON, Lalitpur  
9<sup>th</sup> March 2025



I sincerely thank DAV School for providing a platform for young singers to showcase their talents in ghazal singing. My best wishes to all the contestants.

- **Mr. Ajar Jangam, Head of the Music Department at Ratnarajya Laxmi Campus**  
*(Commented on the Inter-School Nepali Ghazal Singing Competition and 159<sup>th</sup> Moti Jayanti, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025)*



It is a privilege to be a part of this school ceremony. I extend my best wishes for the continued success and prosperity of this school and its students. Thank you!

*(Commented on the Club Induction Ceremony)*

**SSP Mr. Shekhar Khanal**

District Police Range, Lalitpur  
30<sup>th</sup> September 2024



It is an honour to serve God. This was a truly touching programme. My heartfelt blessings to DAV School for its remarkable work. May God continue to bless you all.

*(Commented on the Souper Bowl Food Donation Programme of DAV School)*

**SR Asha C.J.**

Principal, Mayawadi School, Lubhu,  
Lalitpur  
4<sup>th</sup> December 2024



It was a pleasure to be here—an enriching experience with the bright young boys and girls who are the future of our nation. This brought back the fond memories of my school days.

*(Commented on the Promotional Programme of NPL with School Students)*

**Mr. Karan K.C. (National Cricket Player)**  
9<sup>th</sup> December 2024

*This programme is one of the finest parent-focused events I have attended. I am grateful for the opportunity to share valuable insights from my professional experiences in dental health.*

- **Dr. Biplov Adhikari, a dental health surgeon**  
*(Commented on the Family Jamboree of Grade VI, 20<sup>th</sup> December 2025)*



Thank you for everything. I deeply appreciate the warm hospitality. My sincere apology for any unintended offence.

*(Commented on the Orientation on Film Making for Senior School Students)*

**Ms. Maanavi Bedi**

27<sup>th</sup> September 2024



A well-organized and a remarkable programme.

*(Commented on the Celebration of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day and Excellence Award Ceremony)*

**Mr. Nim Prakash Singh Rathaur**

Chief, Education Development and Coordination Unit, Lalitpur Metropolitan City  
8<sup>th</sup> March 2025



A divine programme.

*(Commented on the Swami Dayananda Saraswati's Bicentenary Celebration and Discourse)*

**Mr. Narayan Prasad Dhakal**

12<sup>th</sup> February 2025



संस्कारयुक्त कार्यक्रम र विद्यार्थीहरूको प्रस्तुतिले ज्यादै प्रभावित भएँ। डिएभी परिवारप्रति हार्दिक आभार तथा उत्तरोत्तर प्रगतिको शुभकामना।

*(कक्षा ५ को फेमिली जम्बोरी कार्यक्रममा व्यक्त प्रतिक्रिया)*

**लोचन भट्टराई, गायिका**

६ मार्च, २०२५



I extend my heartfelt gratitude to school management for inviting me to such a momentous event. My sincere congratulations to the students on successfully completing Grade XII.  
**- Prof. Dr. Bal Chandra Luitel, Dean of Kathmandu University, School of Education**  
*(Commented on the Farewell Ceremony of the 20<sup>th</sup> Batch of Grade XII)*  
 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2025



Grateful to be invited as the chief guest for this International Mathematics Week Celebration.  
*(Commented on the Closing Ceremony of Mathematics Week)*  
**Prof. Dr. Bishnu Prasad Dhungana**  
 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025

A wonderful atmosphere. The Family Jamboree was a truly memorable and an unforgettable event.  
*(Commented on the Family Jamboree of Grade VII)*  
**Mr. Narendra Raule**  
 Editor, Ratopati Online TV & Frontline Nepal News Portal  
 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025



It is an honour to pay tribute to Swami Dayananda Saraswati and be a part of such an enlightening session at DAV School.  
**- Dr. Krishna Chandra Sharma, Central Department of English, Tribhuvan University**  
*(Commented on the Swami Dayananda Saraswati's Bicentenary Celebration and Discourse)*  
 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025



A wonderful initiative. Thank you for having me as the chief guest.  
*(Commented on the Super Bowl Food Donation Programme of DAV School)*  
**Lion Adhyatma Subedi**  
 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024



I am truly impressed by DAV's outstanding extra-curricular activities, sports, arts, and literature. These aspects set DAV apart from other schools in the country, despite their efforts to excel.  
**- Mr. Shiva Kumar Sapkota, Joint Secretary and Spokesperson, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology**  
*(Commented on the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day and Excellence Award Ceremony)*  
 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2025



I deeply appreciate the initiative of DAV Chairperson Shree Anil Kedia in providing a platform for young yoga enthusiasts to showcase their skills.  
**- Dr. Chintamani Gautam, a renowned lifestyle trainer**  
*(Commented on the 1<sup>st</sup> Inter-School Yoga Competition)*  
 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2025



Such a wonderful and aspiring students, filled with dreams and ambitions. Wishing them all a bright future.  
*(Commented on her School Visit)*  
**Dr. Anupama**  
 Assistant Director, SRMJST  
 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024



The students were truly remarkable. My gratitude to the teachers and the Principal.  
*(Commented on his School Visit)*  
**Rahul Jaiswal**  
 Jain University, Bangalore  
 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

The overall arrangements were highly satisfactory.  
*(Commented on her School Visit)*  
**Deepalakshmi**  
 SRMGST, India  
 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

We are truly fortunate and blessed to have the support of DAV. The school's infrastructure and the dedication of its staff are commendable. Wishing you continued success.  
*(Commented on her School Visit)*  
**Shikha Gupta**  
 Ieducationalize, New Delhi, India  
 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

One of the top schools in Kathmandu, with a welcoming environment and outstanding faculty.  
*(Commented on his School Visit)*  
**Manoj Kumar Kannan**  
 VIT University, India  
 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024



# Board-bound Students of the Academic Session 2024-25

## Best of Luck



Grade X 'A' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Binod Kumar Piya.



Grade X 'B' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Phanindra Timilsina.



Grade X 'C' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Muralidhar Mishra.



Grade X 'D' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Bhawani Ghimire.



Grade X 'E' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Shovan Bhandari.



Grade X 'F' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Ratna Basnet.



Grade X 'G' Students with their Class Teacher Ms. Sashilta Rai.



Grade X 'H' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Shalendra Yadav.



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Grade X 'I' Students with their Class Teacher Ms. Aarti Sharma.



Grade X 'J' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Debojyoti Chhetri.



Grade XII 'A' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Sudhir Kumar Singh.



Grade XII 'B' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Sanjay Kumar Sah.



Grade XII 'C' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Vivek Kumar Chaudhary.



Grade XII 'D' Students with their Class Teacher Mr. Iveen Manandhar.



Grade XII 'E' Students with their Class Teacher Ms. Sita Sharma.



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